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Front cover: Michael G. Sifton '79 with his son Michael '12; Top box: Former member of the Board, St. Andrew's benefactor, and father of three Andreans, the late Michael Clifford Sifton;

Middle box: CJ '13 with his father Cliff Sifton '77; Bottom box: Tyler '16, father Derek Sifton '85, and Luke '14. Photos by Geoff George Back cover: Students marching in the 2011





# Taking a Strategic Route to a Future Vision

I'm often asked what it takes to lead one of Canada's top independent schools. My reply is always the same: a great team.

Nowhere is this better illustrated than in the School's newly-released Shaping Our Future: St. Andrew's College Strategic Plan, 2011–2016. This five-year vision was a year in the making and incorporates recommendations from every SAC constituent group: parents, Old Boys, students, staff and faculty, the Leadership Team and the Board of Governors.

The result of this collective Andrean effort is a documented plan that identifies strategic priorities, reaffirms our mission and maintains the values and traditions that make an outstanding School even more so. A tall order indeed, and certainly more than a Headmaster working without a great team might ever hope to achieve.

So what's in store for SAC?

One exciting initiative already

underway that addresses the strategic priority of "continually improving our facilities and campus" is the redevelopment of the upper fields into a state-of-the art outdoor athletic complex. When completed this fall, the facilities will be second-to-none among independent schools and will enhance the athletic opportunities for generations of future Andreans. Turn to page 28 to see an architectural drawing of 'The Yuill Family Athletic Complex.'

Another exciting initiative is the introduction of grade 5 starting in September 2012. This will open the doors even



earlier to SAC's well-rounded program of academics, athletics, arts, and leadership opportunities. It's a decision that is very much in keeping with the School's mission of growth and expansion.

At the other end of the spectrum, but just as important to SAC's future, is a desire to increase engagement with our 4,000 Old Boys. The St. Andrew's community is a brotherhood with life-long membership. The reinstatement of the Toronto Old Boys' Dinner this spring, after a 20-year hiatus, reaffirmed this connection in a spirited evening of camaraderie. Former students had the opportunity to share memories, to reconnect, and to stay connected. This event was a resounding success and will become an annual event.

Certainly, there are numerous strategic goals and supporting initiatives in our strategic plan. This document challenges SAC's leaders to be "forward thinking — mindful

of our proud heritage, attuned to our changing environment, and focused on ensuring sustainability for future generations."

Thank you to all who have played a role in creating this important document. It will serve as a roadmap to keep us focused on our strategic priorities for the next five years.

Please take some time to read the brochure inserted in this edition of *The Andrean*, and share your thoughts with me. We will provide regular progress reports in this magazine to hold ourselves accountable for this ambitious plan. 

KEVIN MCHENRY, HEADMASTER

# Community News

### Gayle Petri Retires

**Executive Assistant to Three Headmasters** 

If the walls of the Headmaster's office could talk, what secrets would they reveal? Ask Gayle Petri and her lips are sealed. Gayle retired in March after serving St. Andrew's for 22 years, working alongside three Headmasters. Often referred to as the Headmaster's chief gatekeeper, Gayle was a loyal aide to Bob Bedard (1981-

1997), Ted Staunton (1997-2009), and Kevin McHenry (2009-present). She will be remembered most for her professionalism, her unwavering dedication to three Headmasters, and her knowledge of the English language. That, and her joie de vivre.

At her retirement party, all three Headmasters delivered greetings. Paul Bedard '79 delivered greetings from his father Bob, who was unable to attend as he and Anne were in Florida; Ted Staunton sent video greetings from a beach in Bermuda where he and Jane now live and where he serves as Headmaster of Saltus Grammar School; and Kevin McHenry presented his in person. All three stressed Gayle's level of professionalism and perfectionism, as well as the profound respect they have for her and the lasting friendships they developed over the years.

In Gayle's remarks, she shared her memory of her interview with Bob Bedard in 1989. She remembers liking Bob very much, but not

being overly impressed with the School. Bob invited her to come in again and asked, "Why don't you want to work for me?" Gayle replied that she felt the School was much too stuffy and formal for her. Bob reportedly took great offence to this and retorted, "It is not stuffy, and it is not formal!" Whereupon Gayle thought for a minute, and said, "Well, okay then, if you say so." She started work the next week and never regretted her decision, not once in 22 years.

Gayle has accomplished many things while working at St. Andrew's, including: serving as a member of the Leadership Team; greeting many prominent figures to the School, among them, Sir

> Edmund Hillary, Lincoln Alexander, Hilary Weston, and Jean Beliveau; being an advocate for the women of SAC; assuming the role of main go-to person for all questions pertaining to grammar, school protocol and politics, etiquette, and judgment; proofreading more material than she would care to remember: and performing in several of William Scoular's and Jane Staunton's FOCUS plays.

> While we will no longer see Gayle on a daily basis, she is not far away. She and her partner Tom live in Aurora and when they are not travelling, they know they are most welcome at all St. Andrew's events.

Gayle looks forward to spending more time with Tom, as well as with her children Kristen and Kevin, Tom's son Chris and his wife Christine, and Mara and Dylan, their grandchildren. Gayle and Tom love to travel and while Gayle has travelled extensively throughout her life, there are still quite a few countries she would like to visit. She and Tom are going

to China in September, so she can cross that off her list! They also enjoy listening to live music, gardening, decorating, and socializing with family and friends.

Thank you for 22 years of impeccable service, Gayle. We wish you and Tom all the best!



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### **BRENDAN BELLAIRE**

joined the School's IT Department in January as the Middle School Help Desk's Laptop Specialist. He is a recent graduate of the Computer Engineering Technology program at Fleming College in Peterborough, ON.

### **BRENDA (ADAMS) BURSTON**

was hired as the School Receptionist in 2008 and was recently promoted to Administrative Assistant in the Middle School.

### **BARB CAIN**

was hired in 2002 as the School Receptionist, and in September 2003 she became an Administrative Assistant in the Middle School; in March she was promoted to Administration Associate, Upper School.

### **KELLY ERICKSON**

joined St. Andrew's in the newlycreated position of Controller this past October. She comes to SAC with several years of experience as a Controller and has been employed in both profit and non-profit sectors. She and her husband Rick reside in Innisfil, ON.

### **MARIA KIM**

retired as First Cook after 13 years of service. Her ability to blend Portuguese with Korean cuisine made her a favourite among the students. She has started her own business, Heart & Soul Food Service, shopping and preparing food for private parties and seniors in their home. Maria lives in Newmarket, ON.

### **WENDY MURATOFF**

has worked at St. Andrew's since 2000 and recently succeeded Gayle Petri as the new Executive Assistant to the Headmaster.

### JOHN RICHARDSON

a Middle School music teacher, and his wife Julie welcomed a second daughter, Jordyn Hadley, on November 20, 2010. Big brother Jaden and sister Jasmine are proving to be quite helpful with the new addition to the family. The Richardsons live in Barrie, ON.

### **MATTHEW TREVISAN**

joined the St. Andrew's faculty in 2010 as an English teacher in the Upper School. He has a BA (Hons.) from Queen's University and a B.Ed. from the University of Toronto's OISE Inner City program. Before coming to SAC, Matthew wrote for the *Globe and Mail*, *CTVOlympics.ca* and the *Kingston Whig-Standard*. He grew up in Aurora and now lives with his partner Andrea in Toronto.

### **CINDY VEITCH**

joined the Alumni and Advancement Department in January. She brings with her a wealth of experience in the communications and business fields where she has worked for several years as a writer, editor and administrative professional. Cindy holds a degree in journalism from Ryerson University, Toronto. She lives in Aurora and has three sons.



### **BETTY HAMILTON**

celebrated her 90th birthday with family and friends in Aurora, ON, on January 28. Betty's late husband, Jim Hamilton '33, was Executive Director of the SAC Foundation and Secretary-Treasurer of the SAC Old Boys' Association from 1965 to 1986. He passed away in November 1989. Betty's three daughters, all past parents of the School, organized the event. (I-r) Jocelyn Manchee (Stuart '03), Linda Windeler (Ryan '91) and Cynthia Torokvei (Tom '97).



### **RENA WISEMAN**

retired in April after nearly 19 years of service in the Sewing Centre of Macdonald House. Members of the Parents Guild presented her with a St. Andrew's jacket, complete with honorary Cadets and Pipe Band badges. Rena always made sure that the boarding students' uniforms were mended, buttons sewn, pants hemmed, and Cadet uniforms in tip-top shape. She looks forward to spending more time with her seven grandchildren and travelling with her husband George.

### **Community News Sports Update**



### 1st Hockey

The strong hockey tradition continues with 1st Hockey finishing the CISAA season in first place with a 10-1-4 record. A definite team highlight was capturing the 28th annual MacPherson Tournament championship in an exciting 4-3 overtime victory. With 11 returning players, the experienced and talented squad played some impressive hockey in several tournaments and earned a division title in the Midwest Prep Hockey League (MPHL) regular season and third-place finish in the MPHL playoffs. The 1st Hockey team finished the season with a final record of 34-18-9.

The Saints 1st Hockey team captured the MacPherson Cup in a spectacular overtime win, claiming the seventh championship title in the tournament's 28-year history.

### Fencing

The 2010-11 fencing season was filled with exciting performances and well-earned results. This year's team, co-captained by Arthur Pang '11 and Charles Gu '11, consisted of half returning second and third-year members, and half newcomers to the sport. The team competed in three tournaments this season, earning medals in all.

### 1st Basketball

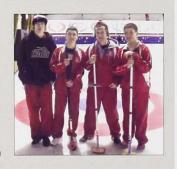
It was another tremendous season for 1st Basketball as the team held its own against the top teams in Ontario, demonstrating that the St. Andrew's basketball program is indeed on the rise. Season highlights include winning a tournament championship, two consolation tournament championships, second place in CISAA, and capturing the CISAA 'AA' Championship for the fourth year in a row.



St. Andrew's Varsity Squash team claimed the CISAA Championship for the fifth consecutive year. (I-r) Coach Steve Rush, Sean Smith '12, Mark Choi '12, SeungJin An '12, Zachary Seto '12, Kenny Hilton '11, Chris Adams-McGavin '11 (#1 ranked and team Captain), Brett Allen '11, Alex Seto '13, Kevin Chong '15, Joshua Mahfood '13

### Curling

The Boys Division team had an excellent season, going undefeated in the regular season and losing in a heartbreaking CISAA final. The team got a second chance at OFSAA, where team Coverdale (Curling Skip Ryan '11) travelled to Thunder Bay during March Break; however, they did not place.

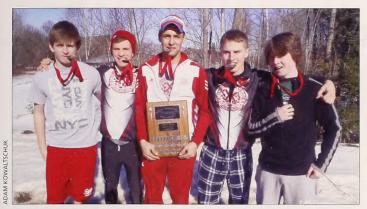


Grant Pollock '11, Aaron De-Gagne '13, Ryan Shotbolt '13, Nicholas Whitelaw '13.

### Squash

For the fifth straight year, St. Andrew's has claimed the CISAA championship at Varsity, U16, and U14 levels. This unprecedented accomplishment affirms the success of SAC's squash program, which aims to develop players through creating more competitive situations. With only three graduates among this year's CISAA top-10 ranked Varsity players, next season looks just as promising.





The Senior Boys Nordic team won the CISAA gold medal based on the best results of its top four skiers and a fifth alternative; which included from (I-r) Mark Denton '12, John J. Mitchell '13, Arun Partridge '11, Michael Sifton '12, and Mike Mildon '12. The boys represented the CISAA League at OFSAA in Gatineau near Ottawa, an incredible threeday event to cap off a season filled with hard work and camaraderie.

### Nordic Skiing

This year the team continued to grow, consisting of 20 students from grades 8–12 with 12 members new to the sport. The team took part in five invitational races in a competition field that was extremely strong. Many of the competitors had skied for years. Four members of the team represented SAC at the biathlon competitions, including the Central Ontario Area Biathlon, where Andrew Guizzetti '12 brought home a first and Torrey Glendinning '11 a third in the Men's division, qualifying the team for the Provincial Championships where they held their heads high by coming through in the middle of the pack. The Nordic team had a strong showing at both the Lakefield College Invitational race and the Kawartha Invitational, serving as a warm-up to the CISAA Championship where Ben Collis '12 took first place in Novice Boys and Andrew Ladouceur '15 came first in Junior Boys.

### Alpine Skiing

The Alpine Ski team faced some significant competition on the slopes at the CISAA Championships in February, where the JV Level 1 team placed 2nd, and Varsity Level 1 and 2 teams placed 4th and 5th respectively. Although four of our top racers graduate this year, we are fortunate to have a number of



Andrew Kerr '11 tears down the slopes during the CISAA Championships

highly skilled skiers coming up through our developmental ranks who will step into their positions next season. This should ensure our future success in the highly competitive CISAA league, which has produced a provincial championship team for seven of the last 10 years.

### Swimming

The Swim team had a spectacular season, breaking school, championship, and personal best records. Theofilos Sotiropoulos-Michalakakos '11 smashed three school records in the Open category for club swimmers to earn himself a record-breaking hat trick at the CISAA swim meet hosted by SAC in February. At the province-wide OFSAA Championships in March, the team placed an incredible 4th out of 146 schools. Keaton Ward '13 won gold for the Jr. 50m Breast-stroke and broke the event record with a time of 32.67.

As well, five school records were broken at OFSAA including: Sr. 4x50m Freestyle Relay, by teammates Spencer Brown '12, Daniel Cho '11, Brian Chan '12 and Ching-To Li '12 (alternates: Carlos Guraieb '12 and Ethan Benson '12) who claimed silver with a time of 1:43.75; Theofilos won bronze and broke his own 100m Freestyle record with a time of 53.84 and broke SAC's record in the Open 50m Freestyle with a time of 24.70, earning him 5th place in the race; in the Sr. 50m Butterfly, Daniel broke his own record with a time of 28.46, putting him in 4th, place, and in the Sr. 50m freestyle Daniel placed 14th with a time of 26.82.



Grade 12 student Theofilos Sotiropoulos-Michalakakos smashed four school records, helping lead SAC's Swim team in a stellar season.

MARK BUR

# Association News

# Catching Up with Old Friends at Reunion — September 24, 2010

#### Class of 1970

Front (I-r) Kate Dilworth, Louise Levett, Jeff Hayes; Middle (I-r) John Percival, Rob Dilworth, Joyce MacKay, Cricket Yule, Deb Grass, Deborah Vannoy (Stephens), Tom Stephens, Brian Levett; Back (I-r) Bob Thom, Don MacKay, Sandy Munro, Dave Grass, John Wood, Mac Yule, Phil Manchee, Norm Wilkie

### Class of 1980

Back (I-r) Glenn Stanley-Paul, Alain Bonvecchio, Nick Solty, Rob Minialoff, Tom McNally, Paul Miklas, Scott Cole, Philip Maguire, Joel Dandele, Ian Davis, Doug Crawford, Andrew Kerr, Dwight Slessor; Front (I-r) Scott Byberg, **Dave Plaxton** 

#### Class of 1985

Back (I-r) Paul Henriques, Michael Roy, Stephen Doman, Mark Wyndham-West, Erik Rubbens, Derek Sifton; Front (I-r) Shawn Omstead, Jason Pugliese, George Leask, Les Fur. Amedeo Cericola







Back (I-r) Wilf Dinnick, Cory Oliver, Jim Herder, Eric Jackson, Rob Savage, Matt Brown, Thijs Spoor, Tim Stuempel, Brad Archdekin, Andrew Bridel, Renny Monaghan; Front (I-r) Jim Mirkopoulos, Brian Chan, Patrice Bansa, Mike Hiscox, Scott Bryk, Chris Blakely, Ron Kopas, Shane Stewart, Trevor Golding

### Class of 1995

Back (I-r) Neil McDermott, Kai Brown, Jason Inniss, Jeff Lewis, Chris Foster, John Schienke; Front (I-r) Jason Worry, Jed Dadson, Rob Luxemburger, Jan Lutzen, Anthony Farr

### Class of 2000

Back (I-r) Steve Gariepy, Matt Tsuji, Blair Birkett, Ryan Brandham, Justin Williams, Mike Crispi; Middle (I-r) Alain Chicoine, Graeme Brown, Iain Myrans, Nick Abraham; Front (I-r) Mike Richardson, Alex Naghi, Brian Chisholm

(Right) Guests at the 2010 reunion enjoyed viewing the three new archival murals in Dunlap Hall. The murals were created by Stephen Kimmerer, St. Andrew's media arts teacher.



### Old Boys' Dinner Makes a Comeback after 20 Years

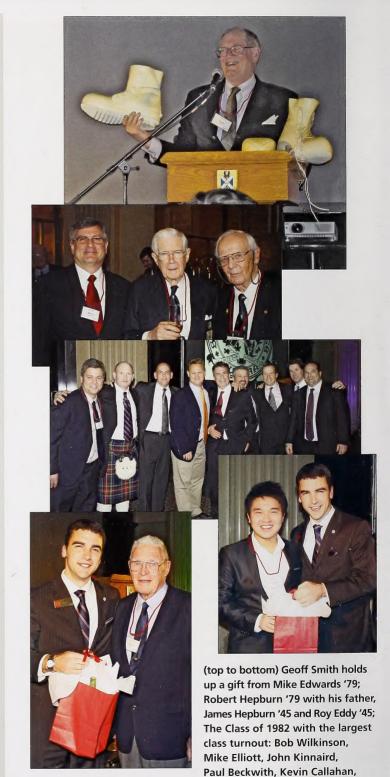
here was a special buzz in the air on April 29th as Old Boys gathered in the Grand Banking Hall at the historic One King West Hotel in Toronto for the first Old Boys' Dinner in more than two decades. Nearly 120 Old Boys and guests gathered for an evening of storytelling, entertainment and brotherhood.

The evening began with a reception, where special guests Bob and Anne Bedard, Geoff and Ginny Smith, Derek and Bettyne Inglis, Jim and Gail Herder, and Gary and Wilma West were surrounded by Old Boys vying to catch up with them. Headmaster Kevin McHenry offered guests a preview of the development of the Upper Fields project and creation of The Yuill Family Athletic Complex, named after Bill Yuill '59. The School's promotional video followed, and as the music faded, St. Andrew's Pipes & Drums Band burst through the velvet curtains on either side of the podium. The accomplished 17-member band marched forward, playing with authority and grace. The familiar sounds instantly transported the Old Boys back to their days at St. Andrew's.

But it was former Assistant Headmaster Geoff Smith, otherwise known as "Dad," who stole the show. As the evening's guest speaker, Geoff had his audience in stitches as he offered Headmaster McHenry cautionary tales about how to connect with Old Boys and to continue hiring "characters with character" on the faculty. Stories about the late Charlie Edwards '70 and his brother Mike '79 (who travelled from Falmouth, Maine to attend the event) provided great fodder for Geoff in his storytelling, including a recent gift from Mike — a pair of size 14 U.S. Airborne winter jump boots — which Geoff attributed to a penalty he gave Mike for unsportsmanlike behaviour during a rugby game against Lakefield College. According to Geoff, Mike has ribbed him about his impressive shoe size for the past 30 years!

The formal elements of the evening ended with two awards. The first award was presented to the youngest Old Boy in attendance: Shane Shin '08. The second award recognized the "most senior" Old Boy in attendance: Warren Soper '37. Both Old Boys received a bottle of wine from Burrowing Owl Vineyards, a B.C. winery owned and operated by Jim Wyse '57.

As Old Boys departed on Friday evening, they wanted assurance that they wouldn't have to wait another 20 years until the next Old Boys' Dinner. For those who attended, spread the word; we hope to draw an even larger crowd next time. To view photos of the event, visit www.sac.on.ca/old-boys/index.aspx NICHOLAS WEEDON '02



Danny Del Medico, Rodger

Leslie, David Tredgett and Craig

the award for the "youngest Old

McLean; Shane Shin '08 won

Boy in attendance".

Warren Soper '37 won the award for the "most senior" Old Boy in attendance presented by Old Boy Officer Nicholas Weedon '02



### Annual Family Day Held on MacPherson Weekend



Id Boys and their families were on campus in January for the 4th annual Family Day celebration. Old Boys enjoyed an array of athletic opportunities, including a squash tournament, basketball game, and one of two hockey games. Stuart Smith '92 organized another exciting squash tournament with nearly 20 Old Boys. Mark Shillum '92 organized

the Old Boys basketball game in the Bedard Gym with yet another 20 Old Boys. Scott Sillcox '77 organized the over-40 hockey game and Jeff Lewis '95 organized the under-40 hockey game, both of which took place at the Aurora Community Centre. The games, and subsequent family-style dinner in the Great Hall, gave Old Boys the opportunity to relive the good old days.

### Under-40 Hockey team (top)

Back row (I-r) Graeme Brown '00, Craig Brown '97, Geoff Brennagh '94, Brian Chisholm '00, Anthony Reid '88, Matt Thorne '96, Toby Reid '92, Jamie Biggar '91, Jason Reid '94, Graeme Martin '97, Jamie Mac-Pherson '99, Jamie Taylor '98, Blake Dalton '04, Brad Smith '02, David Del Zotto '04, Clinton McCullough '05, Scott Fullerton '05, Colin McCullough '07, Tyler Hurst '03, Adam Zoratto '05, Matt Mitchell '03, Jeff Lewis '95, John Lyons '01, Kai Brown '95, Nicholas Weedon '02

Front row (I-r) Andrew Weedon '98, Giancarlo Trimarchi '02, Alessandro Lupo '03, John O'Hea '97, Paul O'Hea '99, Andrew Carnovale '04, Ricky Reininger '04, Brendon McCullough '03, Jeff Johnston '03, Nathan Rothwell '03, Jordan Ross '03, Jordan Tripp '10, Connor MacLeod '10, Luc Zoratto '03

### Over-40 Hockey team (bottom)

Front row (I-r) Jeff Baun '78, Patrick Keating '88, Stephen Keating '87, Bob Wilkinson '82, Mark Atkins '89, Jason Pugliese '85, Paul Beckwith '82, Marshall Starkman '89, Andrew Dalton '78, Todd Talbot '85

Middle row (I-r) Paul Keating '84, Doug Richardson '77, John Sedgewick '80, Greg Baun '79, Paul Bedard '79, Robin Comfort '84, Mark Bedard '77, Peter Calverley '73, Andy Beckwith '79, Dave Calverley '79, Scott Fitzgerald '80, Les Fur '85, David Lawrence '81

Back row (I-r) Kevin Yearwood '84, John Epworth '79, Scott Sillcox '77, Dave Tredgett '82, Bart Brooks '80, Jon Tyner '83, Dave Plaxton '80, John Clements



STEPHEN KIMMERER

# Michael G. Sifton '79

Board Chair's Family Looms Large in History of St. Andrew's

BY JIM MCGILLIVRAY

you spend any time on campus these days, it's hard to miss the name "Sifton." There is Sifton House, one of the three Upper School residences. There is a Middle School classroom in Rogers Hall named after the Sifton family. There are four current students who share the name: Michael '12, Clifford (CJ) '13, Luke '14 and Tyler '16. These boys are the sons of Old Boys Michael '79, Cliff '77, and Derek '85 (the last two) respectively. And of course there was the appointment of Michael G. Sifton '79 as the eleventh Chairman of the St. Andrew's Board of Governors in June 2010.

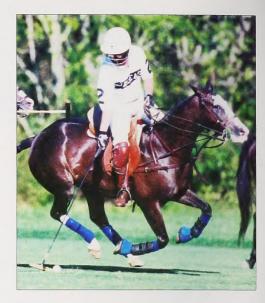
It's impossible to tell the story of Michael G. Sifton without including his father, the late Michael Clifford Sifton. In 1984, the Board decided to rename "Fourth House" to honour the Sifton name, in particular that of Michael Clifford Sifton, a major St. Andrew's benefactor, who served on the Board of Governors from 1975-84.

Though not an Old Boy, Michael Clifford Sifton (1931–1995) was very involved with St. Andrew's in the early 1970s when his three sons were students here. He was the grandson of Sir Clifford Sifton, a federal cabinet minister in the Laurier government, who in 1899 founded the family newspaper business by purchasing the influential *Winnipeg Free Press* and by expanding into Regina and Saskatchewan in 1928. In 1954, Michael Clifford Sifton joined the family business founded by his grandfather, Sir Clifford. He









(I-r) Michael's entrance photo to St. Andrew's in 1972, as the Cadet L. Col. in his graduating year, and playing polo.

maintained strong militia connections throughout his life — enough so to become Colonel Sifton — and not only became enthusiastic about polo, but is also credited with reviving the sport in Toronto in the years after the Second World War. He was awarded the Order of Canada in 1988 and passed away in 1995 at age 64.

His son, current Board Chair Michael, can be described as a fourth-generation newspaperman. He attended SAC from 1972–1979, where he played First team Football, Alpine Skiing and Rugby, then served as a Prefect and as the Cadet L. Col. in his graduating year. Michael also played on SAC's first North American Interscholastic Championship Polo team. Upon graduation, he went on to study Commerce at Queen's University where he met his wife Julie.

As a young man, Michael worked at summer newspaper jobs, including pressman at the *Brockville Recorder and Times* and reporter at the *St. Catharines Standard* and for The Canadian Press. (He would later be the longest serving Chair of The Canadian Press Board of Directors). Though he enjoyed working with start-up businesses, after he graduated from Queen's in 1983 he found his way back into the media world in 1989. This led to a move in 1992 to become publisher of *The Star Phoenix*, a long-time, family-owned newspaper in Saskatoon, Sask. In 1996, the family sold their newspapers to Conrad Black's Hollinger Inc.; Michael joined Hollinger, ultimately becoming the President of Hollinger Canadian Newspapers GP.

In 2001, when Black's Hollinger empire was being sold off, Michael, with the help of the Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan and Scotia Merchant Capital, "swooped in like an osprey" and purchased a large piece of Hollinger. Thus began his tenure as CEO of Osprey Media, holder of 20

daily and 37 weekly newspapers. Osprey became a public income trust in 2004 and was ultimately sold to Quebecor Media Inc., Sun Media's parent company, in 2007. As President and CEO of Sun Media, Michael led the integration of the Osprey and Quebecor newspapers, holdings of which included the Sun newspapers in Calgary, Edmonton, Winnipeg, Toronto and Ottawa; the London Free Press, Journal de Montreal and Le Journal de Quebec; as well as some 150 weeklies, buyer's guides and other specialty publications.

After setting in place the foundation for the integration at the end of 2008, Michael left Quebecor. Today, he has various business activities including director of family-owned Armadale and managing partner with Beringer Capital, a Toronto investment and financial advisory firm specializing in marketing and the specialty media sectors.

Like his father, his brothers — and now their sons — Michael is a polo enthusiast, and his King City farm has an irrigated polo field in the front yard.

Brothers Clifford and Derek are also active in the community and on the business front. Cliff, his wife Terra and son CJ '13 live on property adjoining Michael's. He too was a Prefect and played 1st Hockey, 1st Football, 1st Rugby; he also captained the North American Interscholastic Championship Polo team with Michael. Cliff is President of Armadale, Armadale Properties and Highland Chevrolet Cadillac in Aurora.

Derek played soccer and tennis; he also skied and played in the jazz band while at SAC. Derek also won the North American Interscholastic Polo title, went on to play at the University of Virginia (UVA), and was named all-American in three of his four years there. Derek is currently President of Toronto Airways Inc., the Armadale company that

runs Buttonville Airport and its varied aviation operations in Markham. He and his wife Sheila live in King Township with sons Luke '14 and Tyler '16.

Andrean writer Jim McGillivray recently spoke with Michael at his home to discuss the Siftons, St. Andrew's, and the mantle of Chairman of the Board of Governors. Despite their iconic family history, the Siftons maintain a low profile, and a visit to Michael and Julie's home reveals an informal, welcoming and down-to-earth couple. In addition to their son Michael, they also have two daughters, Alexandra and Victoria, both recent Queen's graduates.

### YOU BECAME INVOLVED AT ST. ANDREW'S LONG BEFORE YOUR SON CAME HERE. WHAT MOTIVATES SOMEONE TO GET INVOLVED IN THEIR OLD SCHOOL?

Throughout my life I've been involved in many non-profit and not-for-profit organizations. I think it is important to give back to society. It was King Ward Sr. who put my name forward to join the Board of Governors in 1998. I was honoured to be asked to serve the School as a director. The School played a very important role in my life and I wanted to give something back. I was more than happy to accept the challenge and join the Board.

### WITH THAT SORT OF HISTORY, IT MUST HAVE SEEMED QUITE NATURAL TO MOVE INTO THE CHAIR'S ROLE.

Chairman Jeff Chisholm approached me about stepping up as the new Chair. One of my concerns was having a son at the School. In fact, our governance guidelines suggest a maximum of three current parents on the Board at any one time. That's a guideline, not a policy. I was, in fact, one of the only parents on the Board and they were approaching me about taking this Chair's role on. I was concerned about that. Obviously, Jeff and those he took counsel from felt that, over the years, I'd given advice at the board level in an unbiased fashion and that I could continue in that way even though I had a son at the School.

Looking back, my real concern was Michael, in the future, saying, "Well, did I miss that opportunity because Dad was on the Board and no one wanted to appear to provide favouritism?" Or, conversely, "Did I get an opportunity I might not have been entitled to because of him?" I believe people need to be able to grow on their own merits and feel that they've accomplished what they've done on their own. I didn't want him to feel that I had taken something away from him, one way or the other. So I really wrestled with it. It was the likes of Jeff, King





and others who continued to encourage me to accept. So, after talking over the opportunity with my son and knowing I had his support, I accepted the opportunity to be Chair. So here we are.

### YOU'VE BEEN INVOLVED AT ST. ANDREW'S SINCE 1972. FROM A STUDENT'S POINT OF VIEW, WHAT HAS CHANGED MOST SINCE THEN?

I think there's a much better understanding of the value of single-sex education today. I believe if I go back in time, there was a view that if you get the distractions out of the classroom then boys and girls will learn better. In my day I don't think there was such a comprehensive approach toward curriculum, activities, and all aspects of the School. I don't think there was the same focus on gearing the whole experience to boys and, obviously, the same for the girls in their schools. Today it is just so comprehensive. It's all about how boys learn best, and the whole building of experiences for boys so that they become better men in the future. We still had that same well-rounded experience approach, but it was not as well-designed for boys as I think it is now. The experience is better today, more enriched, more focused than when I was a student. From the Board's perspective, I think that's important to remember as we undertake our duties as a Board, in particular, when we focus on the longterm strategic plan, to make sure that we enshrine those elements going forward.

# TO TAKE A DIFFERENT VIEWPOINT, WHAT ARE THE MARKETING CHALLENGES FOR AN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL NOW COMPARED TO 10 OR 15 YEARS AGO?

There are more competitors across this country and elsewhere than ever before in terms of alternate private and new public schools. You know, the days of the "Little Big Four" are long gone. Today there are so many options for the day student population in this area. And for people who choose boarding, there are more options, both here and elsewhere. So, more than ever, from a marketing perspective, we need to be really true to our mission. We need to stay really focused on our core values. And again, that's why our traditions are so valuable. That's also where sports come in. That's where continued investment in our campus comes in so that we differentiate ourselves from the other schools. Today, there is a whole different focus on marketing. Marketing means TV spots and radio and online programs.

### THERE SEEMS TO BE MORE FOCUS ON THE INTER-NATIONAL COMMUNITY THAN THERE WAS IN THE PAST. OUR HEADMASTER IS TAKING TRIPS TO ASIA. IS THAT BECAUSE OF INCREASED COMPETITION AS WELL?

Clearly, we didn't have students from mainland China back in my day, though we had some from Hong Kong. But in terms of the international component, we're — I'm only guessing here — fairly close to where we were, but the students are coming from different countries than they used to. Asian travel is part of this new marketing effort. I know all the other Heads have been very aggressive in going over to Asia. It's an expanding market for us. It's fertile ground. I also think it adds to the experience at the School when you can bring in these students from other countries.

### THE CULTURE OF YOUNG PEOPLE IS CHANGING RAPIDLY, AS ANYONE WITH TEENAGERS CAN ATTEST. HOW IS THAT AFFECTING STUDENT LIFE HERE, OR LIFE WITH THEIR PARENTS?

When I was here, we had Saturday classes. We were here at least six days a week as day students, and boarders got off campus once or twice a term. By the time I left in 1979, boarders were coming and going rather frequently and seamlessly. Today, we have boarders active in off-campus activities for which they are coming and going. So we're having to meet different needs for both students and parents. Canadian parents want to see their kids more. The School has responded by dropping Saturday classes and

building a robust weekend activity schedule for the boarders who can't get home. Changes filter in according to the needs of the day.

### DO THESE SORTS OF THINGS GET DISCUSSED AT THE BOARD LEVEL?

Well, obviously Saturday classes did, but daily life issues not so much.

The whole notion of good governance implies that a Board has one employee, and that is the CEO: the Headmaster. Our responsibility is to make sure that we're reviewing risk, we're reviewing financial projections and the strength of the School, and we're making sure that policies are being adhered to. Curriculum issues are the realm of the Headmaster and the Leadership Team. The Board gets involved to the extent that there is a capital requirement to meet the changing needs, or if there is a major shift in policy that would involve a financial requirement. So, for example, the laptop program was a Board discussion because of its financial impact on the School and the way it operates. But in general, dealing with how kids are evolving is the responsibility of the Leadership Team.

### WHAT ARE YOU AND YOUR BROTHERS LOOKING FOR AS SAC PARENTS?

We'd be unanimous in that we look back at our time at St. Andrew's fondly. We hope that our boys can enjoy the same sort of experience that we had from academics through the sports fields and through all the other extracurricular activities in which we were individually involved. We also hope that they grow friendships like we've experienced, which get better with time. If we drift apart, if it's 25 years later and you end up getting together with somebody, those 25 years melt away. My son is starting to see that now as he travels with me. He starts to hear, "Oh, you're another St. Andrew's Old Boy? Oh, do you know my dad?" Or, "Do you know so-and-so or so-and-so." He's starting to see the value of that. And I hope he gets to experience the true nature of the brotherhood that is St. Andrew's.

For example, last year was my year's 30th reunion and John Bailey '79 came from Jamaica. And John said, "You guys never come to visit me." So Pascal Mortimer, wife of Scott Mortimer '79, another classmate said, "We'll organize something." She shot out a bunch of emails and 13 Old Boys travelled to Jamaica for a week in November. It was just the most phenomenal experience, after 31 years, to get together with our spouses for an incredible week. That's the sort of irreplaceable experience I hope my son might have some day (see story on p. 38).

Then there are all the other things that go with the School: the traditions, the experiences, the opportunity to understand leadership, how to follow and how to lead. I think these are the things the School excels at.

THERE HAS BEEN A LOT OF FLUX AT THE TOP HERE IN RECENT YEARS. BRIAN ARMSTRONG '61 WAS CHAIR AND TED STAUNTON WAS HEADMASTER FOR A LONG TIME. THEN BRIAN LEFT IN 2005 AND SINCE THEN WE'VE HAD TWO NEW CHAIRS, WE'VE GOT A NEW HEADMASTER, A NEW DIRECTOR OF ADVANCEMENT AFTER JIM HERDER'S '64 LONG TENURE. THAT'S A LOT OF CHANGE WHEN YOU LOOK AT A SCHOOL THAT'S ONLY HAD EIGHT HEADMASTERS. HOW DO YOU THINK WE'RE WEATHERING THESE CHANGES?

Clearly, there was a change at the School with Ted and Brian. When you think of the number of folks that have changed over the years since 1997 when Ted arrived, there has been a lot of change throughout the organization. I think the focus has remained on boys, traditions, sports, the arts, and the notion of the well-rounded boy. I think these last couple changes have been more incremental than dramatic. Kevin was at the School for many years and worked closely with Ted. I know there was tremendous support for Kevin when the search process was underway, which was really rewarding. In fact, the search firm said they had never seen as much support for an incumbent as they saw for Kevin. So that change turned out to be quite seamless.



In terms of the Chair's role, I would like to think this too has been more incremental than dramatic. We seem to have had different focuses during each Chair's term. Brian had a sharp focus on the strategic plan, governance and the planning and build-out of Campus Master Plan 1. When Jeff Chisholm came in as Chair, the CMP1 was funded and complete. Jeff focused on good governance, a strong financial plan leading the School's first structured operating reserve, replacing a successful Head of School and various legal issues.



### WHAT DO YOU FEEL IS YOUR MAJOR FOCUS AT THIS TIME?

One of our first priorities has been to complete our strategic planning process, which began in 2010. We now have a Board-approved plan that we are implementing. This is a major focus for the Board.

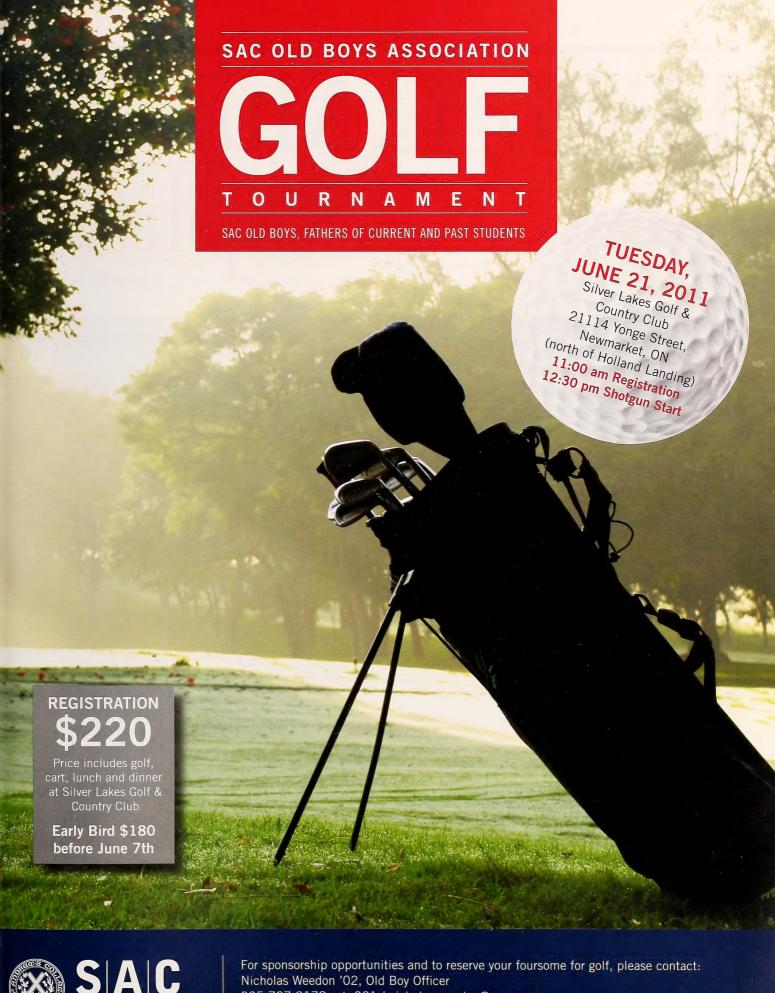
Another major focus is ensuring the School has the appropriate facilities. We have needs on a couple of fronts. St. Andrew's is an outstanding sports school, and while we have extensive fields, the facilities are lacking in some areas. This is why we have decided to go ahead with the redevelopment of the upper fields, which will include an artificial turf field, comprehensive track, and a baseball diamond (details on p. 29). We're a pre-eminent school in so many other ways, whether it is music, theatre, advancements in engineering and robotics, or in leadership and the study of leadership. These are all parts of the School that have evolved tremendously, yet we don't have a home for them.

We also suffer from about 97% utilization of classroom space; that should be somewhere around 80% or less. We're looking at how we get all the students plus faculty together in one space for a meeting, a presentation or a speech. Our dining facilities are also inadequate to handle the flow of all of our students. So we have to move forward with CMP2. A lot of work has been done on the development of CMP2 by the Leadership Team and the Property and Facilities Committee led by Dan Stock. We have been out chatting with ... let's call them friends and family — some of the benefactors, some of the people who have been generous to the School in the past — about supporting these initiatives.

# TED STAUNTON ALWAYS SAID THE MOST IMPORTANT RELATIONSHIP IN THE WHOLE OPERATION WAS THE ONE BETWEEN THE HEADMASTER AND THE BOARD CHAIR. WOULD YOU AGREE?

Yes, absolutely. Ted was close with Brian and then with Jeff. If we look at successful schools, one common denominator across all of them is they have had longer-term Heads and Chairs. We wrestle with this governance principle. Should a Chair switch out every two years or three years or should it be longer? Peter Harris was Board Chair for 17 years. Brian was there for nine. Jeff stayed for five. If it's going to be long-term, then yes, it had better be a strong relationship. I think you need to have a long-standing leadership situation to be successful.

I'm often in chatting with Kevin. I feel I'm there in a supportive role. He's a new Head. I've chaired many boards over the years so you may say I have more governance experience. I would not try to counsel Kevin on curriculum or other technical matters, but I can provide a perspective on organizational issues. We have a great relationship. I have tremendous respect for Kevin. I was part of the selection committee and I'm very excited about the opportunities the School has with Kevin as Head. As I said, to me it's an extreme honour to have been asked and it's a pleasure to be Chair. I know I'm going to have challenges where it's going to get a lot rockier, but when you accept the role of Chair, you accept it on the basis that you feel you can work well with the incumbent Headmaster. I definitely feel Kevin and I work well together.





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# Historic Mural Now on Display

BY PAUL MANTROP '87



Our new spectacular oil painting "Quit Ye Like Men, Be Strong" is now on permanent display in Dunlap Hall. The large mural by artist Paul Mantrop '87 depicts images from the School's inception to present day. The Andrean caught up with Paul in April when he was on campus to inspect his work and make some final touchups. Here's what he had to say about why he painted it, what influenced him, and where he drew inspiration for what he calls "the most challenging painting of his career."



"The mural is a version of the School's history from 1899 to 2010. Each full student portrait in front represents a decade. I looked at what was the context of each decade, which included two World Wars, right up to today's modernization. I also tried to depict the process of the School: taking a young boy and moulding him into a man ready to face his future.

The little people running around — what I was calling 'SAC Life' while painting it — was inspired by Robert Kemp's painting of the boys skating in front of Macdonald House. I was walking through the School after one of the hallway committee meetings and saw Kemp's piece and it hit me: I needed to include what is so special about this school, and that is the life within it. So I did my best to depict elements of the College's history. I know I only scratched the surface and to be honest, I may haunt that section of the hallway adding new people to the background when I visit.

Most importantly, I must stress that although this mural was mine in composition, it was the brainchild of Headmaster Kevin McHenry, as was the whole hallway. I was delivering a painting to his home when he asked me if I would walk with him through the hallway. He said, 'This hallway is a main artery of the College and it feels lacking. What do you think?' We got talking about panelling and the ceiling then he said, 'How about a mural? Would you do a mural?' I responded, 'A mural? Not in my comfort zone, but let me think about it.'

And that began a year of my life. First I read William Scoular's book [Not an Ordinary Place]; in fact I read it several times before the painting was complete. It was my bible. Then there was the exceptional help of Sue Hayter [SAC's Archivist]. With her digitizing of the School's Archives I was able to search old Andrean copies from my home computer.

I went through several preliminary drawings, and with Kevin's approval, began the mural. Without question it is the most challenging painting I have done in my career to date. That is what I think is so special about the College: its educators, they challenge you. So here I am 15 years into an art career getting a little comfortable painting landscapes, and it's the College that asks me to once again challenge myself!

I had to relearn techniques used in the Renaissance — not my regular style of layering thick paint. I studied murals through history. I found through research that Classic's Master Percy Robinson (1899–1946) once exhibited his paintings with the Group of Seven in Toronto, and that the home I live in today was the last home of the late Hon. Jim Laing '49, a member of SAC's Board from 1971-81. I had the members of Drawnonward [also Andreans] critique the piece as I was working on it, and it was good to hear their opinions as they know the School so well.

I feel privileged to have been part of this new decade and the hallway renovation with Steve's [Kimmerer] amazing archival mural and Tino's [Paolini] fine art."



# Arun Partridge '11

Reminisces about his years at SAC with nostalgia and gratitude

ver the past seven years at St. Andrew's College, I have indeed learned how to dream. It is within these gates that I have acquired not simply the knowledge one needs to succeed practically in life, but more importantly the wisdom to endeavor to become a complete man. I have immersed myself in everything this school has afforded me, and I have loved every minute of it. I have involved myself in every facet of school life from academics and athletics, to music and leadership opportunities.

When I first came to St. Andrew's College in grade 6, I saw the pipe band play and dreamed of being part of such a rich tradition. I have been studying classical piano since I was three years old, but when I saw the Pipes & Drums

play, I knew this was something I wanted to be a part of. I initially learned to play the chanter and moved on to the bagpipes in seven days. Over the years, I worked my way through the ranks into the Senior Corps, earning the rank of Pipe Sergeant in my grade 11 year and eventually Pipe Major this year. Last year, we travelled to Holland to participate in the VE day parades. This was truly an honour.

I have played a representative sport every term since arriving at the school in grade 6 and am currently a three-term Varsity ath-

lete. I played on the Varsity Soccer team in my last two years at St. Andrew's, playing goalkeeper for this fine squad. I also played hockey at the School until grade 10, but have recently found a new passion, Nordic Skiing. My love for this sport has led me to seek opportunities to participate in this at the university level as well. As captain, I had the honour of leading the team to its second-ever Varsity CISAA championship. In the third term, I trained with the Varsity Triathlon team.

I have tried to immerse myself in all aspects of school life including School Councils, the Outreach Committee, Community Service Council and the Information Technology Committee. These experiences have taught me how to manage my time, organize myself and prioritize. One of the highlights of my graduating year is my position as Prefect. I am the Prefect re-

sponsible for liaising with the Outreach Committee and for raising money for various local and international foundations. Another highlight of my St. Andrew's career was my SASSAW (St. Andrew's Society for Service Around the World) trip to Peru in 2009, where we spent a week in Cusco doing humanitarian work, hiking the Inca Trail to Machu Picchu, and exploring the Amazon Rainforest. This was an incredible experience.

During my time at St. Andrew's College, academics have always been a major focus for me. I have been a top scholar for three of my six years at the School, and am currently ranked #1 in my graduating class. Academic competition is admired and applauded here, and I have found it a great challenge to balance my academics with the host of extra-curricular activities

and rich social life St. Andrew's offers.

Most people say that they cannot wait to leave high school and go to university. But I love it here at St. Andrew's, and to be honest, I am not ready to leave. I am trying to soak up everything I can in these last few months. St. Andrew's has provided me with so many opportunities and truly allowed me to live up to the School's mission statement: "Dedicating ourselves to the development of the complete man, the well-rounded citizen." Next year I hope to attend either McMas-

ter or Queen's University. I hope to be a physician, following in the footsteps of my parents. Leaving St. Andrew's College, I know I am going to be a little fish in a big pond, but that is something I am willing to accept because I know I have been so well prepared for the next steps in life.

As I prepare to leave St. Andrew's College, I cherish the fact that I have made lifelong friendships and met great mentors who have shaped the way that I view the world, leaving an indelible impression on me. I wish to thank you all from the bottom of my heart. I know I will carry on the Andrean spirit and traditions we hold so dear. To this tradition of pride, honour and hard-work, I know I will always be faithful. In the words of our 48th Highlanders, "Dileas Gu Brath." Faithful forever.

"Over the past seven years at St. Andrew's, I have indeed learned how to dream."

# Enriched & Extended Textended Textended

SAC's Answer to Immersion

comprehensive French curriculum for boys working toward bilingualism is steadily gaining momentum, not only enhancing student learning, but also providing some extra traction for the School as well.

Middle School's Enriched French program was first introduced in grade 6 three years ago, while the Extended French program for Upper School began two years ago. These new programs give St. Andrew's a competitive advantage in terms of attracting students who have a strong French background, interest, or aptitude — like boys coming to SAC from immersion schools.

This fall, the first group of students to have progressed through all three years of Middle School Enriched French will enter grade 9. By enrolling in the Upper School's Extended French program, these students can continue on the more experiential path of French language learning available at SAC.

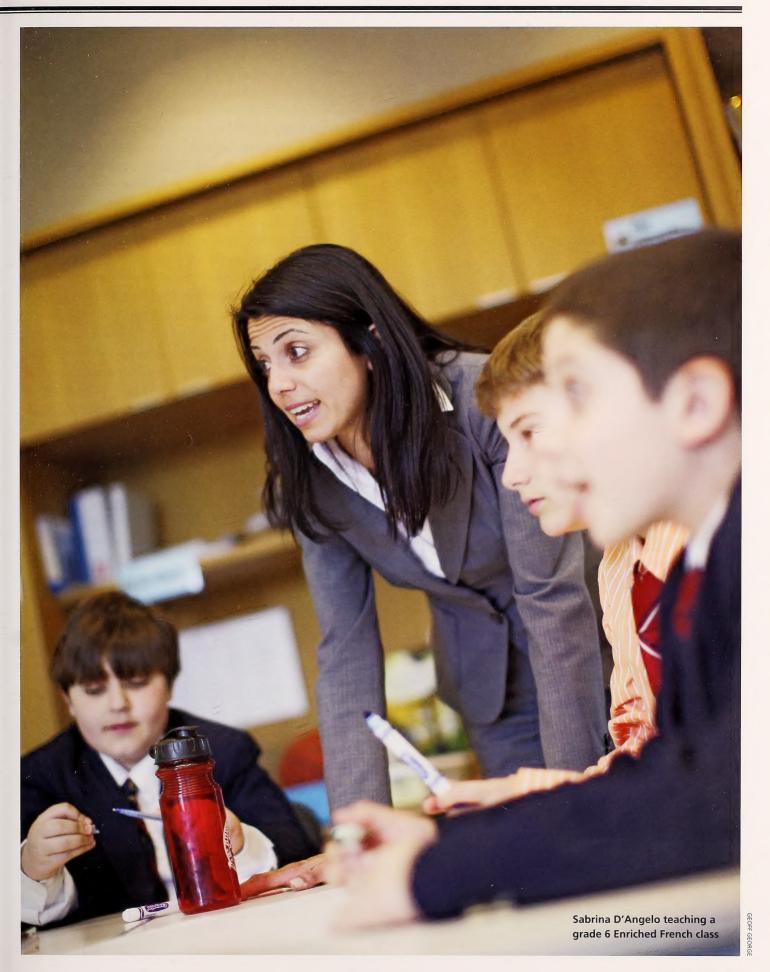
The first class of Extended French students are currently in grade 10, and when they graduate in 2013 they will be among the first recipients of a St. Andrew's certificate in Extended French, issued by the Ministry of Education, in addition to an Ontario Secondary School Diploma. This will help attract attention when applying to university, as the certificate demonstrates a talent for languages for students

who choose to take the most challenging course of study.

"It's a pretty competitive environment out there, whether applying to university or seeking a job. Being multilingual can be very helpful," says Kevin McHenry, Headmaster, who was an early advocate for this type of program. He stresses that the School's Enriched and Extended curriculums are not immersion per se, but rather a fully comprehensive French language program in a boy-friendly environment.

"It's win-win for our boys," explains McHenry, who says statistics show girls are in the majority in typical immersion settings, which can put boys at a disadvantage. "Learning a language is a different type of learning from math, science or the arts. Some boys here are really good at it. Some boys here speak four languages. And our new program supports boys as they continue to grow as French-speaking students."

Sabrina D'Angelo, Assistant Director of the Middle School and a French teacher, says diagnostic testing to determine French skill levels in reading, writing, speaking and listening is important when placing the boys in either Core or Enriched programs. She says it's not only about having the strong language skills, but also about being motivated and inspired to higher levels of learning. In fact, she has students who did not take Enriched French in grade 6 or 7, but who



were so strong in Core French that they are able to hold their own in Enriched in grade 8.

Numbers confirm that program acceptance is growing. In year one there were fewer than 10 boys in the Enriched stream; this year there are 14, a 50-50 split with Core in grade 6. In grade 8, half the students are enrolled in Enriched French allowing for two sections of Enriched and two of Core.

"The differences between the programs are a result of their distinct environment and purpose," explains D'Angelo. "Typically, the Enriched program is more speaking-focused because some students in the program come from immersion and the emphasis of immersion is the spoken language. Still, there is an equal emphasis on speaking and grammar in both Core and Enriched."

In the Enriched stream, high emphasis is put on communication skills in order to maintain ability and cultivate fluency. Teaching staff recognize the need to balance the curriculum with ways to engage the boys so they will want to continue with the program. "We've got some pretty cool stuff," remarks D'Angelo, who believes hands-on, kinesthetic and competitive activities work well and are in keeping with the philosophy for teaching boys.

Middle School boys, for instance, play interactive games like "verb-a-thon," where they are timed to fill in bingo-like cards, or sing and dance to French-Canadian musician Étienne to reinforce concepts musically. One class created models of their favourite extreme sport and presented them in French; another class worked collaboratively to produce a French children's

book to share with a local grade 1 French immersion class.

A week-long trip to Lachine, Que. in May, capped off the year with the opportunity for authentic learning in a real-life setting, allowing the boys to boost their confidence as they stepped out of the classroom to gain some practical experience. A cultural trip to France, open to boys from grades 6 through 8, is offered bi-annually in the Middle School. Trips such as these, along with opportunities to attend French movies, plays, clubs or camps, are all strategies to inspire students back in the classroom.

"It's all about fostering a love of the language. Our ultimate goal is to help ensure the boys like French, and I think we're succeeding," adds D'Angelo.

### **Upper School Extended French Program**

In Upper School, the Extended French program continues where Enriched leaves off. In high school students must take seven credits over four years to earn the new certificate: four credits in Extended French and three credits in regular subjects taught in French — three less than an immersion certificate requirement of ten. However, making room for these subjects took careful foresight, planning and execution on the part of School administrators and staff.

"When we lost grade 13 there was not a lot of wiggle room left for students," explains Gary Godkin, Director of the Upper School, on the logistics of fitting in an Extended French program without costing students precious electives. "To pick the university program they wanted, students al-



most had to reverse engineer their timetables to get all their credits. The only way we could make Extended French work was to take some of the courses that are mandatory anyway and teach them in French."

In addition to a grade 9 geography course starting in the fall, courses offered in French are grade 9 business and grade 10 Canadian history. A grade 11 business presentations course will be offered for the next two years on an interim basis before evaluating whether or not to keep it permanently. Nicholas Day, who helped launch the program and establish the curriculum, currently teaches these subjects and points out that students are not missing out on anything by taking them in French, they are simply taking them in a different language. Another advantage for the program was having the expertise in-house, so there were no additional cost implications for the School.

Day observes that the material he teaches in grade 9. Extended is what boys do in Core French in late grade 11 or early grade 12. "It's significantly enriched, a different approach." Will they graduate bilingual? "Some will, some will be functional; it very much depends on the student," states Day. "We want to provide the most authentic experience we can for the boys, one in which they are walking away with more confidence in their French abilities and a better understanding of the role that French language plays in the world."

As in the Middle School's Enriched program, exploring French culture beyond the classroom is integral. This past February, Day accompanied 16 grade 9 Extended French boys on an annual SAC trip to St. Donat, a small village in Quebec where the entire town plays host to their week-long immersion experience. "The boys were so keen and just threw themselves into this amazing experience," recalls Day. Speaking French only, they soaked up Quebecois culture, ordered meals, skied, sang traditional songs, and enjoyed a town-wide scavenger hunt.

In May, the grade 10 Extended French students visited Montreal for a similar cultural experience where they had the opportunity to put their language ability to the test in a slightly different environment. And Day says a trip to France is in the works for the summer of 2012, offering Extended French students significant exposure to French through activities such as cultural tours, classes, and home-stay time.

Certainly, a multi-dimensional approach to learning French may make it more fun, but it still takes a strong commitment to hard work to achieve mastery. Day says evidence suggests students may struggle in the short term to learn a language, but over the longer term may become better performers than their single-language-stream counterparts. This notion appears to hold true at SAC, where some of the School's top academics are in the Extended French program.

"These kids are the cream of the crop," confirms Godkin,



who says the grade 9 and 10 student averages are 85% and 86% respectively. "It wasn't planned, but that's what has happened. These kids have helped the program thrive. There used to be maybe seven or eight kids who took Core French right through to grade 12." This contrasts sharply to the Extended stream, where 16 students signed up in grade 9, and 15 remain in grade 10, all of whom have signed up for next year.

"We're ecstatic with the success of this program," says Godkin, who expects a profound influence as the first groups of Enriched students from Middle School filter in to the Upper School program. Indeed, 21 boys from the Middle School Enriched program have signed up to take grade 9 Extended French in the fall.

"Right now it's working and we want to continue to grow it," agrees Headmaster McHenry. "It's never going to be a program where 30 or 40 percent of the population is involved. That's not our intent. We have smaller classes for things like computer programming or physics, so why shouldn't we support a group of boys who aspire to be very proficient in language?" SCINDY VEITCH

# Remembering our

ast November, Melissa Ramon's grade 8 history class teamed up with SAC Archivist, Sue Hayter, to explore and honour the lives of some of the 104 young Andreans who died in the First World War. The students used documents from the School's Archives to investigate the lives at SAC and in the military of 18 fallen Andreans. They created a memorial trading card for each fallen Andrean, some of which are displayed on the School website www.sac.on.ca/discover/history-of-sac/remembrance-day-2010/index.aspx

The grade 8s thoroughly enjoyed delving into the lives of their fellow Andreans, and they discovered that there were many connections to the past: 100 years ago SAC students played hockey and football, became Prefects, came from faraway places, and, occasionally, got into trouble. Of the 18 Andreans whose lives were commemorated in this way, eight were selected to be commemorated at the Middle School Remembrance Day ceremony:



Lieutenant Eric Montague Abendana was born in Jamaica on July 10, 1892. He attended SAC from 1905–09. He earned his School colours for rugby, and he served with the 48th Highlanders Cadet Corps. He also played violin in the orchestra. In 1914, he joined the 7th Field Company as an engineer. He served during "Cana-

da's Hundred Days" in 1918, smashing the Hindenberg Line and liberating Cambrai. He was hospitalized and died of pleurisy on October 16, 1918; he is buried in Duisans British Cemetery in France.



Captain Edward Osler 'Tod' Bath was born on March 23, 1892 in Toronto and attended St. Andrew's College from 1905-07. He enlisted in October 1914. He went missing on April 23, 1915: he had been gassed and wounded, and was held as a prisoner of war for three years. He was at Hof Gusmar, Hannyo-Muden

where he escaped and was recaptured, and then in camps at Crefeld, Holzminden, and Schwarmsadt before being repatriated in 1918 because of bronchitis brought on by gas. He died of flu in London on November 23, 1918 and was buried in St. Jude's Cemetery, Oakville on December 28, 1918. Tod earned the Silver Star for his service.



Lieutenant Vincent Robert Alexander Crombie was born June 14, 1895, the younger brother of Lieutenant Charles Stuart Grenville Crombie who died July 9, 1917. Vincent attended St Andrew's College from 1913-14. He played 1st Football and Hockey. He enlisted with the 19th Battalion on November 9, 1914 at the

age of 19 years, 5 months. He was wounded three times: twice in 1916 and fatally on October 26th, 1918, aged 21. He was awarded the Military Cross for conspicuous bravery.



Captain Kenneth William Junor was born in Toronto on August 3, 1894. He attended St. Andrew's College from 1908–12 and was a Prefect, a librarian, a member of the Literary Society and athletic director. He enlisted with the 75th Battalion in 1915 and went overseas with the CEF in 1916. With the Royal Flying Corps, he is credited

with eight victories making him an Air Force "Ace." He was shot down on August 23, 1918, aged 24 years. Kenneth's Military Cross was announced the same day.



The "Malone Playing Fields" are named in memory of Lieutenant Maurice Edward "Mike" Malone, who was born on April 2, 1896 and attended St. Andrew's College from 1907–13. Mike won his First Team colours for hockey, rugby, cricket and soccer. He was a Prefect and also Senior Cadet Officer.

# Fallen Andreans

In June 1915, he went overseas with the 58th Battalion. He joined the 15th Battalion (48th Highlanders) of the Central Ontario Regiment in France in November. He was killed near Zillbeke, Belgium on June 3, 1916 when he was only 21 years of age. His last words were, "Never mind me, go on."



Francis (Frank) Granger Quigley was born in Toronto, Ontario on July 10, 1894. He attended St. Andrew's College from 1907–09. He joined the army as a private on December 16, 1914, serving with the Canadian Army Engineers on the Western Front. He transferred to the Royal Flying Corps in 1917. Flying

Sopwith Camels, he scored 33 confirmed victories before he was wounded in action on March 27, 1918. He returned to Canada to recover and was en route back to England in October, when he came down with flu. He died in hospital in Liverpool at the age of 24.



Second Lieutenant Clarence Elias Rogers was born on December 19, 1891 and attended St. Andrew's College from 1902–09. He was serving with the Royal Flying Corps when he was killed in action on June 18th, 1916 at the age of 24 years. He met his death in the air fighting a Fokker machine 3000, and is buried at the

Cabaret-Rouge British Cemetery in France.



Lieutenant Clifford Weldon Travis was born May 5, 1893 in Sydney, Nova Scotia. He attended SAC from 1911 to 1914 where he was Head Prefect in both 1912–1913 and 1913–1914. He was also manager of 1st Hockey and 1st Rugby and a great friend of "Lin" Wright '14, who was also killed overseas. Clif-

ford enlisted on October 6, 1915 with the 86th Machine Gun

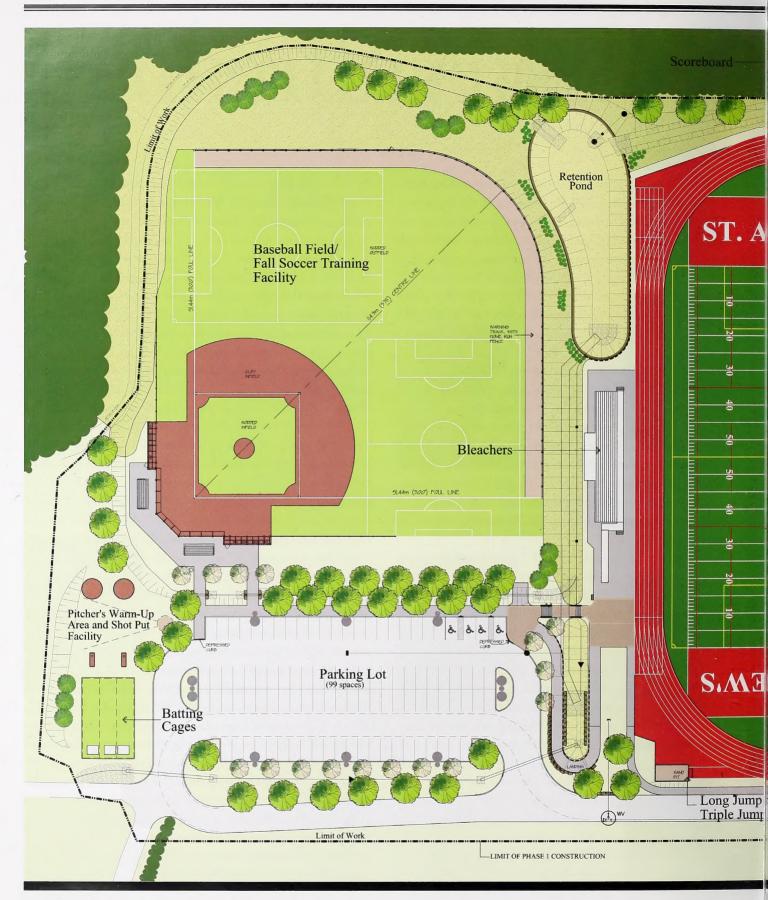
Battalion. He later served in the 18th Company, 2nd Battalion, Canadian Machine Gun Corps and was killed in action on August 28, 1918 at the age of 25.

Now, picture the scene — it's Remembrance Day 2010 at St. Andrew's College: Imagine the quad...now imagine eight white crosses standing starkly against the crisp green grass in the early morning sunlight. At each white cross, stands a grade 12 student, proudly holding a photograph of a young man not much older than himself. As the Middle School students walk around the quad, they pause by each of the eight crosses to listen to the stories of the life and death of those boys in the photographs, their brothers, the eight fallen Andreans. Grade 12 student, Eddie Meredith, recounts the story of Maurice "Mike" Malone, one of the best know WWI Andreans, whose name honours the Malone Playing Fields (SAC's lower fields). Eddie describes what went through his mind: "Pride. I felt proud to help bring life to the story of a great Andrean and proud to have had men like that come before me who have lived by the motto, 'Quit ve like men, be strong'."

Following the soldiers' walk, the Middle School students attached poppies and SAC pins to the crosses. According to grade 6 student, Nolan Roy, "I felt proud because people who used to go to my school fought in the war. I also felt kind of sad because these men were brave and fought for their country and it didn't end well for some of them."

It was a moving and poignant moment, one which resonated deeply with everyone involved. As current Head Prefect, Chris Adams-McGavin, explained, "Having been on the Battlefields Tour, it was a special experience to learn about an Andrean who fought and died for our freedom. Even more special was to share what I had learned with my fellow Andreans from grades 6 to 9. The morning brought perspective by revealing the parallels between my life and the life of an Andrean a hundred years older than me; a life he gave up so I could live mine." Let us continue to remember and honour each and every Andrean who fought for their country and especially those who were never to return. SUE HAYTER, ARCHIVIST

For more information about all Andreans who have fought for our country, please visit the Cadet website: www.sac.on.ca/ discover/history-of-sac/cadets-history/index.aspx



### **MASTER PLAN - PHASE 1: UPPER FIELDS**

SCALE 1:400 APRIL 6, 2011

# Synthetic Turf Sports Field REW'S 6 Lane Running Track Parking NA .TS Multi-use Courts Pole-Vault and High Jump ANNEX

### COSBURN LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

# Vastly Improved Athletic Facilities Will Have Few Rivals

Here are the architectural plans for the redevelopment of St. Andrew's upper fields. Thanks to the generous support of our Old Boys, in particular **Bill Yuill '57**, the Board decided in April to move forward with a significant capital initiative in the 2011–2016 Strategic Plan — the redevelopment of our upper fields at a cost of approximately \$6 million.

The redevelopment includes: a spectacular synthetic turf field for football, soccer, rugby and lacrosse, with a 750-seat complex; comprehensive track and field facilities; a baseball diamond with seating stands; a training facility for soccer, baseball and cricket; two outdoor multi-sport courts; and new parking lots. Funds will continue to be raised for this development, and significant naming opportunities are available. This will provide state-of-the-art, safe and flexible outdoor athletic facilities for our students.

Construction of the upper fields — to be named 'The Yuill Family Athletic Complex' — began in April and the expected completion date is fall 2011. Mark your calendars to attend the September 24th Homecoming celebration to see St. Andrew's face Upper Canada College in all three sports: football, soccer, and volleyball! 

KIM SILLCOX

# Old Boys' News

### 1946

### FRED MCKENZIE

contacted the School with an update on his career as a Doctor of Psychiatry with a family practice in London, ON, and then later as Director of Adolescence Services for the Children's Psychiatric Research Institute (CPRI). He wrote that he and his wife Melva are enjoying retirement to its fullest and he remembers his time at SAC with great fondness. Fred's late father, Dr. Kenneth George McKenzie from the Class of 1909, went on to become Canada's first neurosurgeon. With Fred's assistance, in 2004, Thomas P. Morley published a book, Kenneth George McKenzie and the Founding of Neurosurgery in Canada. Fred and Melva live in London, ON.

### 1949

### JOHN CROSBIE

celebrated his 80th birthday in January with rapier wit and political savvy, according to a writeup in The Telegram (St. John's). Former Prime Minister Brian Mulroney said he believes his former justice, transport, trade and fisheries minister will go down in history as one of this country's most important figures. "When historians from Memorial and other places look back 50 or 75 years from now on Newfoundland and Labrador, they will say without a doubt that John Crosbie was one of the greatest Newfoundlanders ever to live and participate in public life," Mulroney said in an interview. "He wasn't Premier and he wasn't Prime Minister, but in many ways, he was much more important than many of those in the development of Newfoundland and Labrador."

### 1952

### **DAVID LUCIE-SMITH**

and his wife Beverley enjoyed lunch in Noosa, Australia with St. Andrew's College CFO Beth McKay in March. David brought along his yearbook from 1952 and the group enjoyed recalling stories from his time at SAC.

### 1953 GARTH HAZLETT



sent in a photo of a Class of 1953 mini-reunion hosted by Jim Mylrea '53 in December 2010 at the Bayview Golf Club. Their three-hour lunch was reportedly "great fun." Standing (l-r) Bill Graham '53, Paul (Beefy) Esson '53, Garth Hazlett '53, Bill Hill '53 and seated (l-r) David Rea '53, Jim Mylrea '53, and Fred Leslie '54.

### 1954

### **BOB BRADSHAW**

was inspired by last spring's article on SAC's Green Old Boys and sent us news about an exciting environmental project he has undertaken developing high quality, organic fertilizer. His wife Soledad and he spend the majority of their days at their small farm on the south shore of Lake Chapala, in Jalisco, Mexico, directly opposite Ajijic where he has come to know Driscoll's Mexican Company, Berry Mex, and some of their executives. As a result, Bob has been encouraged to go into the worm farming business. Backed with an order from Berry Mex in April 2010, Bob began his company GrowingGreen by Working Worms, producer of hummus/fertilizer. He is open to discussions with any

or all who might be interested in this project and its possible applications to a broader market.

### 1955

### **KEN WILLOUGHBY**

gathered with fellow Old Boys at the Crow's Nest Restaurant in Venice, Florida. Ken reports that wives were also there, but somebody had to take the photos. They all had a good two-hour visit and bored the women with subjects from half a century ago. During their lunch, the group spoke kindly of their friends Gonzalo Gutierrez '55 and Alonso Soules '52.



(I-r) Al Matthews '54, Garth Hazlett '53, Ken Willoughby '55, and Al Cruickshank '55



### 1950

### **CHRIS WANSBROUGH**

presented his St. Andrew's cricket sweater to Kevin McHenry and Archivist, Sue Hayter, at a January luncheon at the Headmaster's home with classmate The Hon. Roy McMurtry '50.



### 1959

### **ALF WIRTH**

retired from Wirth Associates in summer of 2009 to form a new investment management company called HNW Management Inc. The company provides global portfolio management to high net-worth individuals seeking long-term growth. Alf continues to serve as a Trustee to the SAC Foundation and lives in Toronto.

### 1961

### **RICHARD GIBB**

tells us that his brother, Tony '69, has set out on his second sailing venture to the Far East. The last venture was a seven-year voyage. Richard's brother Brian '64 continues to teach at the community college in Belleville, ON. Richard is enjoying retirement and continues to raise cattle in Singhampton, ON.

### 1962

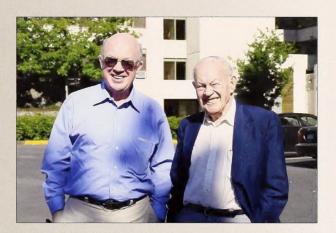
### MICHAEL HOLDEN

has lived in Australia since 1972 and retired in February 2008 from the positions of Chief Judge, Judge of the Separate Court, and Judge of the Court of Appeal of the Family Court of Australia. He currently resides in Perth with his wife Margaret, three children, two stepchildren, and eight grandchildren. Mike's father, Henry, was a history teacher at St. Andrew's from 1945 to 1964.

### 1957

### **DAVID RODGER**

pictured with his father who turned 100 in September 2010. David writes that he turned 70 last year and is mostly retired. He has fond memories of St. Andrew's and has enjoyed a full life with multiple careers, including astronomy, print and broadcast journalism, and music. Stay tuned for the fall issue for a full-page profile on David with more details. He and his wife Sharon live in North Vancouver, BC.



### 1959

### **DEM ROGERS**

generously offered to take Headmaster Kevin McHenry and Executive Director of Advancement Scott Hayter for a ride in his helicopter over the St. Andrew's College campus last spring. They were able to capture some beautiful photos of the School and enjoyed the different vantage point as well!

(l-r) Scott Hayter, Kevin McHenry, Dem, and Herman Koeslag from "Eye in the Sky"

### 1960

### **ANDREW WOOD**

enjoyed an extended holiday in Lima, Peru this past winter. Andrew tells us that while in Peru, he saw many Old Boys, including: the late Matias Gildemeister '60, Miguel Grau '60, Gerald Ian Lindsay '48 and Ricardo Mulanovich '57. Andrew reports that Miguel is working hard in his law firm and was unable to attend last year's 50-year reunion because of sudden business commitments. Andrew took this opportunity to present Miguel with his 50-year tie. Ian Lindsay, whose family lived on the same street in Lima as the Wood family, is the only one of three brothers still living. He is over 80 and still in fine form. Andrew and his wife Ingrid live in Hamburg, Germany.



### A Self-Driven Businessman with

Sylvia Jones, a freelance journalist in Bermuda, had a chance to talk with Sutherland Arthur Morris '53 and his wife June in February about his successful accounting career, as well as his fond memories of formative years spent at St. Andrew's College. They met in the Morris' home, Traveller's Roost, in Point Shares, Bermuda. Arthur's late father, Leopold (Len) Morris was a builder on the island and in later years designed his own line of Chippendale furniture, hand-crafted from the cedar tree indigenous to the island. The Morris' have many of Len's fine pieces throughout their home.

Arthur arrived at SAC in 1947 at the age of 14. Having said goodbye to his parents on the first day, Arthur recalls how an older boy, Chris Smith '51, came down the hallway handing out chanters. On seeing this, and not wishing to miss out on

anything, Arthur inquired if he could have one too. Chris handed him one saying "You do realize you'll have to learn how to play it?" Arthur replied "Well yes, I suppose so!" And so began Arthur's life-long love of the bagpipes. He would go on to lead the band at SAC and later help establish the Bermuda Pipe Band.

Arthur has many fond memories of his time at SAC: his favourite teacher was Mr. T.B.D. Tudball. Mr. Tudball, a

mathematics teacher who had taught at SAC for more than 40 years, had never given a student 100% until he met Arthur. Mr. Del Grande was another teacher present during Arthur's education at SAC. The Del Grandes would occasionally need a babysitter for their young child. The boys, Arthur included, happily acquiesced, not only because Mr. Del Grande's wife was very attractive, but also because of the rare luxury of being able to make themselves a cup of coffee! There were many more notable 'events' during Arthur's time at SAC.

Arthur recalls the physics teacher, Earl H. Greig, in particular. "We used to call him 'Elmer Fudd'." He recalls a prank they played on Mr. Greig where Bill Andrews '53 provided a device brought from home and called for volunteers. Arthur put up his hand and he, along with George Parker '53, inserted the device under the hood of the teacher's car

and went into hiding. When the Housemaster started his car, there was an unmercifully loud bang. Elmer Fudd ran shrieking in front of the car to inspect the damage and promptly disappeared in a cloud of smoke! Arthur knew full well he faced the cane for his role, and in an attempt to soften the blows, he donned a few extra pairs of underpants.

Antics aside, Arthur remembers the sense of comradeship and the importance of trust amongst friends that prevailed at SAC. "St. Andrew's fostered a sense of commitment that has served me well. St. Andrew's also instilled in me a sense of organization and time management — you were expected to be punctual! My education was well-rounded which gave me tremendous confidence in dealing with the multitude of situations and people I have encountered throughout my life." There were six or eight other Bermudians at SAC

during Arthur's time, and he continues to remain in contact with many of his classmates.

Upon graduation in 1953, he toyed with pre-medicine. He spent a year at Waterloo University, linked to The University of Western Ontario, studying pre-med, but soon found he had a stronger aptitude for working with numbers. He returned to Bermuda and took up employment in the Trust Department of

the Bank of N.T. Butterfield & Son Ltd. and then went on to Butterfield and Steinhoff, an accounting firm. He transferred from Bermuda to Nova Scotia in 1955, on the basis that training to become a Chartered Accountant in Canada would provide him with the practical experience most beneficial to his career. He earned his professional designation and qualification as a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nova Scotia in 1960.

Arthur returned to Bermuda in 1961 and entered public practice. His initial fear of inactivity proved misplaced. Before he knew it, he was working extremely long hours. In his search for assistance, he first found Freddie Williams, another sole practitioner, whose small accountancy practice Arthur acquired. Assistance then came through Charles Kempe, a fellow Bermudian Chartered Accountant. The two

66 In 40 years of teaching Mr. Tudball had never given out 100% — until he met Arthur.

### Fond Memories of St. Andrew's

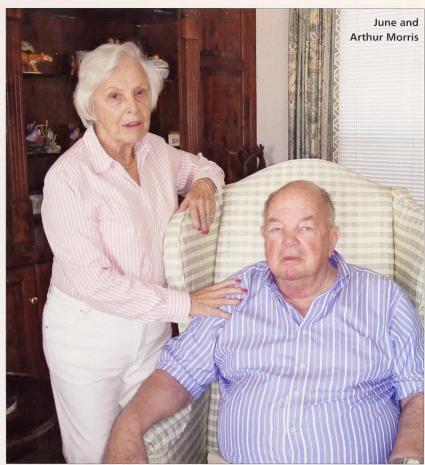
men went into partnership in 1962 as the firm of Morris & Kempe, Chartered Accountants. Morris & Kempe quickly acquired a prodigious amount of work, including acting as representatives for two of what were then known as the 'Big Eight' international accounting and auditing firms.

Arthur chose to retire from Morris & Kempe in 1977, taking what he would later describe as an early retirement. The unrelenting pressure of working long days and evenings had taken its toll. Retirement, in the sense of a cessation of activities, was out of the question for a 44-year-old of Arthur's undoubted energy. He sought instead to bring greater focus to his business life. And so, in a classic case of the self-driven businessman, the 'retirement' proved short-lived. After six months of travelling in Europe, Arthur returned to Bermuda to found Morco Management Limited (now Continental Management Limited).

On hearing of his return to Bermuda, a number of clients approached Arthur to ask if he would continue to act for them. His loyalty to these clients and friends made him unwilling to turn his back on them, so he continued on with the trusteeships, directorships and accounting work he had been carrying out. In 1978, Arthur thus re-entered public practice, where he remains. In February that year, Arthur was joined by a British accountant, Dudley R. Cottingham, who remains a Partner to this day.

Craig Christensen, a member of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants and the Institute of Directors, joined Arthur in 1991 and remains a Partner in the Arthur Morris Group. Based in Hamilton, Arthur Morris Christensen & Co. is an accounting, auditing and consultancy services provider to local businesses: trading and investment firms (both privately and publicly held), partnerships and individual traders.

Arthur's son Christopher Morris, trained as a Chartered Accountant in Canada and on returning to Bermuda in August 1998 became an Executive Manager at Continental Management Limited. In 2004, he joined his father and Mr. Christensen as a Partner of the Arthur Morris Group.



At the age of 77, Arthur no longer works quite as intensely as he once did, but still contributes to the firm's direction and development and offers counsel to the various partnerships and companies he founded and built. He has fulfilled his ambition of combining work and travel, to the benefit of both his family and the larger communities of Bermuda, Canada and the Caribbean islands with whose lives he has interacted.

Arthur gets back to Toronto from time to time to meet with some of his former classmates, including David Rea, Paul (Beefy) Esson, Garth Hazlett, Jim Mylrea, Bill Graham and Bill Hill, for lunch at the Granite Club. He and June have been married for 37 years. In addition to his son Christopher, Arthur has a daughter Michèle, as well as two stepchildren, Annette and Michael, and 10 grandchildren. SYLVIA JONES

## "Scholarship boy" makes good

Ray Osborne '64 says he had no right to go to St. Andrew's College back in 1959. "My Dad died on the golf course in 1948 at age 37, and as a single mom, my mother raised my brother and me," he says. "There was no money for a school like this. But a SAC brochure came around to my public school in Hamilton, ON. I'd never seen anything like it." He applied; he entered the competition for Board of Governors' full funding and won, becoming what was called at the time a "scholarship boy."

History would suggest he was the right boy for a full scholarship. He graduated in 1964 and, after extended schooling at the University of Toronto, became an obstetrician/gynecologist at Toronto General Hospital. After further postgraduate training at Charing Cross, London, the

University of Newcastle, England, and McMaster University, Hamilton, Dr. Ray Osborne focused on gynecologic oncology and clinical epidemiology. His clinical focus is on cancer of the placenta or trophoblastic neoplasia.

"You can't let yourself get too close to patients. You don't get too much time with some of them at all. But cure rates continue to go up, and the research I'm involved in contributes to that, so that helps keep things positive."

Still, the field takes its toll. In the mid 1990s, Ray earned an Executive MBA degree and completed a M.Sc. in Clinical Epidemiology at McMaster University. He had also nearly finished a M.Ed. in 2001 when he was felled by a heart attack, so more schooling went by the wayside. Around this time he and his new wife Jennifer welcomed a son, Joshua, who is now 9. Ray has three other children in their 20s from a previous marriage. He has practiced at Toronto General



66 Cure rates continue to go up, and the research I'm involved in contributes to that. 99 and, more recently, at Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre at the University of Toronto.

Asked whether the germination of his career came at SAC, Ray chuckles that, well, yes, in a way. In fact, he claims he owes his choice of career to a popular 1960s TV medical drama. "I went home during Spring

Break around grade 12," he recalls, "and I was watching *Ben Casey*. I liked what he did, the way he was his own boss and the fact that he didn't take any guff from anybody. Believe it or not, that's basically how I landed where I am today."

Ray's gratitude for the life that St. Andrew's made possible has been shown in many ways. He was one of the first Old Boys to become involved in the legacy life insurance program started by former Director of Advancement Jim Herder '64. In fact, Ray and Jim roomed together at SAC, played First Soccer and Basketball and prowled the football sidelines as football cheerleaders, a now-bygone position. Jim Herder speaks highly of the successful "scholarship boy" who quietly gives back to the School that gave him his chance. "We see each other occasionally and enjoy our time together," says Jim. "Ray Osborne is a wonderful example of a SAC Old Boy. He is respected, respectful and tremendously supportive of the School and all it stands for." "IM MCGILLIVRAY"

## Old Boys' News



## 1964

#### **BOB WILLIAMS**

former Chair of the SAC Foundation Trustees and a current member of the SAC Board of Governors, was recently appointed Chairman of MPA Morrison Park Advisors Inc., an independent investment bank providing financial and strategic advisory services to clients requiring specialized investment banking expertise. MPA serves some of Canada's largest corporate and government clients as well as many private or earlierstage companies. Bob and his wife Jilla reside in Toronto.

## 1966

#### IAN TERRY

was on campus in February as a volunteer judge CLASS OF 1966 for the Fulford Debating Tournament. He is head of the music production department at Humber College and lives in Toronto.

## 1970

#### SCOTT STEWART

married Sarah Hall on June 10, 2010 in Bermuda. Scott is now the Guest House Manager at Summerside Guest Apartments in Pembroke, Bermuda.

#### **DANNY YU**

and his wife Rachel recently got



together with former teachers Fred and Doreen Hiltz and Rupert Ray at the Yu's home in Mississauga, ON. Danny recently started his own business, Acuity, as a senior enterprise architect in global supply chain management consulting.

## 1971

#### PAUL MORÓN

visited campus in October 2010 with his daughter Annette and classmate Gordon C. Dobbin '71 to watch the First Football team beat its opponent handily. They enjoyed their walk down memory lane and showed Annette where they lived, ate, studied, prayed, smoked cigarettes, and misbehaved, Paul also noted the Foucault's Pendulum

> in McLaughlin Hall, which was donated to the School by Gordon's parents, in memory of his brother Peter. He and Annette

were extremely impressed with all the new additions to the School. Paul lives with his wife Taicy in Willemstad, Curacao, in the Netherlands Antilles.

#### **PETER RUSSELL**

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was recently elected Chairman of The ManKind Project of Canada Inc., a global not-for-profit organization that offers challenging and highly rewarding training for men at every stage of life. The ManKind Project helps men at all levels of success through any transition and offers the tools to face almost any challenge. Peter and his wife Joan live in Toronto.

## 1966

#### JIM MCCLOCKLIN

#### **Donates Locker Room Floor**

The First Hockey team welcomed Jim McClocklin into their newly renovated locker room on December 4, 2010 at the Aurora Community Centre. Jim is a

proud supporter of hockey at St. Andrew's and donated a new floor for the locker room emblazoned with the School crest. He and his family gathered to spend time and share stories with this year's team members. Following the unveiling of the new floor, the First Hockey team went on to beat the National Sports Academy from Lake Placid, New York 8-2.

Jim was a member of SAC's First Hockey team from 1963-1966 and captain during his final season. He went on to play for Cornell University and won an NCAA national championship with the "Big Red" in 1970. The MVP Award of the annual



MacPherson Hockey Tournament is named in his honour. This year's recipient was Will Laking '11.



## 1970

#### ROBERT PRITCHARD

sent us this photo from a reunion he had with friends and fellow Andreans last fall in Nassau. Pictured in the photo (I-r) David Hilton '67, Christopher Lightbourn, Fred Hazelwood, Ken Chaplin, Spencer Higgs '06, Charles Farrington '67, the late Geoff Higgs '67 (seated), Larry Roberts '65, George Kelly, Ray Pyfrom '65 and Robert Pritchard '70. Geoff Higgs passed away on January 2, 2011 (his obituary appears on page 53).

## Old Boys' News





## 1972

#### **KEITH SAWYER**

and his wife Cheryl continue to enjoy their time in Houston and have maintained their home in Pleasanton, California, near Chevron's headquarters in San Ramon. Keith has worked for Chevron for 34 years. Cheryl joined Chevron in 2002 in Chevron Policy, Government and Public Affairs as an Events Manager. They enjoy golf on the weekends as well as a lot of travel in their current jobs.



## 1976

#### **ERIC JOLLIFFE**

was sworn in as York Regional Police Chief on December 13, 2010 by Regional Senior Justice Michael F. Brown. He succeeds Chief Armand La Barge. Formerly the Deputy Chief, Eric has served with the York Regional Police for 29 years. One of Eric's immediate plans is to strengthen ties with community groups across the region. "We have grown community-based policing here in the Region and the way you grow community-based policing is by developing partners in the community and that's exactly what we've done and exactly what we're going to continue to do." York Regional Police has more than 1,400 officers and 520 civilian support staff. Eric holds a BA (Hons) from York University, is a graduate of the FBI National Academy and FBI LEED program in Quantico, Virginia, the University of Toronto's Joseph L. Rotman School of Management police leadership program, and he is currently enrolled in the MA in Leadership program at Royal Roads University. He and his wife Susan live in Barrie, ON.

## 1972

#### **MIKE HOGG**

was on campus in February as part of the grade 11 Career Fair where he spoke to students about his career in finance for RBC Dominion Securities Inc.

#### **DOUG ROBERTSON**

is the proud father of Abbey and Alex and grandfather of Gabe and Charolet. Doug is the Chief Building Official for Wilmot Township and lives in Tillsonburg, ON, with his wife Dorothy.

## 1973

#### PETER FLETCHER

and his law partner, Jerry Pyfrom, joined Lynn Holowesko in September 2010 to form Holowesko

Pyfrom Fletcher with chambers in the Templeton Building in Nassau, Bahamas. Peter and his wife Virginia live in Nassau.

## 1977

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#### MYLES PRITCHARD

is an International Financial Advisor with Merrill Lynch in Los Angeles, California. He, his wife Jody and their two boys, Tyler and Dylan, live in Los Angeles.

#### SCOTT SILLCOX

played in the World Pond Hockey Championships in Plaster Rock, NB, in February. His team,

The Saints, made it to the quarter finals and lost to a Boston team that has won the tournament four times in the last seven years. According to Scott, "It was like going back in time." The entire community of 1,000 people volunteered in some capacity during the five-day tournament and 120 teams were represented from around the world.

## 1979

#### **GREG BAUN**



(I-r) John Bailey '79, Greg and Mike Sifton '79 in Highbourne Key, Bahamas with Greg's catch of the day, a 30 lb. wahoo. They also reeled in another wahoo and two mahi mahi.

## 1980

#### SCOTT COLE

has been nominated by York
Region Council to represent the
Region on the Greater Toronto
Airports Authority Board. This will
be Scott's third term as a sitting
board member at Pearson International Airport. Pearson handles 34
million passengers a year with an
annual operating budget in excess
of \$1 billion. Scott lives in Aurora.

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Anniversary Reunion
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## 1981 ALEX NIKOLAJEVICH

retired from Gemcom Software in June 2010 where he worked in both

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## Career built from the ground up

Steven DeNure '78 says he was lucky enough to land with the right company at the right time and place. But a lot of Steven DeNure went into this apparent stroke of luck.

His family name is often associated with DeNure Tours, a company founded by his late father, and now run by his brother Ray. However, Steven has carved out a very different path for himself. He is the co-founder, President and COO of DHX Media in Toronto, a company formed in 2006 by a merger of Decode Entertainment (founded by Steven in 1997) and Halifax Film. DHX trades on the Toronto Stock Exchange, has offices in Toronto, Halifax, Vancouver and Los Angeles, and is expanding internationally by the day. Some of the productions Steven has been involved with over the years include: *North* 

of 60, Due South, ReBoot and more recently, Angela Anaconda, This Hour Has 22 Minutes, That's So Weird, Be the Creature and many more.

In short, Steven DeNure's story is one of starting from the ground up to running one of the world's leading firms in children's and comedy television.

"I had a great interest in photography and storytelling at St. Andrew's," he recalls. "Film is the medium where you can combine these, and I went to Simon Fraser University (SFU) in Vancouver, one of the few places where I could study both film and business. That seemed like a good combination to me, though at the time it wasn't really done."

At SFU, Steven began producing his own films, which were invited to the fledgling Toronto Film Festival. In his final year he began working on a film about Canadian artist Alan Wood and after graduating he received a fortuitous Canada Council Grant to finish it. "That film was a watershed for me," he recalls. "Producing, directing and shooting it, then figuring out how to market it — that was like a microcosm of the whole business. It was like a cross-section of the industry."

Then came his real start: "Back in those days, if you were a filmmaker you went to the CBC, the National Film Board or you moved to Los Angeles. I got hired in 1987 in Los Angeles on a contract basis by John Kemeny, who had co-founded a five-

month-old company called Alliance Productions with Robert Lantos. He had produced *The Apprenticeship of Duddy Kravitz*, which I had studied at SAC in Stephen Treasure's class, so it was an exciting start for me. At SAC we also read books by Brian Moore, an author I ended up working closely with on the adaptation of his novel *Black Robe*.

"Pretty soon the contract job turned full time and I was working for Robert Lantos in Toronto. So I found myself in a business where my film and business degree and my own film production experience all came into play at once. The industry was young and we were all making it up as we went along."

With digital technology and satellite communications booming, specialty television channels proliferated and the

> industry exploded. Alliance would merge with Atlantis Productions and become a billion-dollar company.

But Steven had promised himself he would try to start his own company before he was 40. At age 37 in 1997, he and two partners started Decode Productions, focusing on children's and family programming, which, along with animation, are particular areas of expertise in Canada.

Decode grew quickly to be a leading company worldwide, before merging with Halifax five years ago. Since then, DHX has acquired a number of other companies.

Today, Steven's focus with DHX is on managing a broad international portfolio of

children's programming and comedy, such as a Ricky Gervais animated series for HBO. "I learned early that kids and comedy are fun places to be in this business," he says. "That is and will be our focus. It's great business — merchandising opportunities are a business on their own — and there's never a dull moment."

You might say Steven climbed the ladder from the bottom rung. "Maybe," he replies, "but when I started there really was no ladder. We built the ladder as we went."

Steven lives in Toronto with wife Alison. They have three children: Graham, 24; Derek, 21; and Claire, 14. His ties with St. Andrew's classmates remain strong.



## 1979

#### **CLASS OF '79 TAKES JAMAICA BY STORM**



Front row (I-r) Sue Cathers, Carrie Beckwith, Kelly Hepburn, Judy and Gary Hatt; Second row (I-r) Bill Cathers, Andrew Beckwith, Rob Hepburn, Sue Omstead; Third row (I-r) David and Leslie Offen, Tom Omstead, Julie and Mike Sifton; Fourth row (I-r) Rob and Tess Fawcett, Denise and John Bailey, Daphne and Tim Houlton, George Edwards and Corin; and Back row centre: Linda and Steve Bagworth

At the 30-year reunion in September 2009, a Jamaican Old Boy by the name of John Bailey '79 complained that he always had to come to Canada to see everyone and that no one ever travelled to Jamaica to visit him. That set the wheels in motion. Ideas were exchanged, emails sent and reservations made. On October 31, 2010, 12 of John's classmates and their respective partners descended on Ocho Rios to stay at the Couples Resort San Souci where John's son Johnny and Kyle Mais '85 just happen to work.

Thirty-one years had passed at this point, but we were immediately taken back to the carefree days at SAC. Hours of tennis, beach volleyball, and reminiscing ensued. Nicknames reappeared, injuries mounted and stories of pranks and daring raids followed. O, Omer, Heppy, Bags, G man, Farah, Hattie, Bird, Wild Willie, Mort II, Pixie, Sniff, and Baileymon, along with their partners, happily passed the days touring Dunns Falls, riding along the beach and swimming with our polo ponies in the ocean (beautifully arranged by Dave Offen '79).

We also enjoyed a trip to John and Denise's lovely beach house in Ocho Rios where we were treated to a delicious and traditional Jamaican meal. (Special mention to Chris Webb '79 who made it down from Kingston, Jamaica, for our final dinner. The ultimate lifer, who actually spent eight years at SAC as his parents sent him one year too early.)

Brotherhood ... isn't that this year's motto? Perfectly fitting. People were amazed that we all still kept in touch after so much time had passed. The staff loved us and were very sad to see us go, "No man, you canna leave, this the most fun we had in years," was the resounding cry from the beach and bar employees. Did we happen to mention that Jamaica was under a hurricane watch for the entire week? Not one couple cancelled and we all endured the cessation of all watersport activities, but no matter, we made our own fun, just like the good old days."

JULIE & MIKE SIFTON '79

the Toronto and Brisbane, Australia offices, most recently as Sales Director for Asia. He has been living full time on a sailboat in Australia cruising the coast of Queensland and is headed to Indonesia, Singapore, Malaysia and Thailand later this year. Alex will be based in Asia for 2012.

1982

College. He is also a member of the firm's President's Council, and just completed his third Boston Marathon in April. According to David, he ran the first one for his sister who died of cancer, and the second for the thirteen pins and his artificial hip. He says this will be the last as he just had a ruptured C6 C7 disc repaired by cervical fusion in September. He is feeling lucky!



toured seven members of the St. Andrew's College Investment Club around the HSBC Canada trading floor in March. Michael is Managing Director, Head of Corporate & Commercial Sales for HSBC and lives in Toronto with his wife Nancy and seven-year-old son, Alexander.

## 1983

#### **DAVID ISAACSON**

is Senior Vice President — Wealth Management, Certified Investment Management Analyst in Morgan Stanley Smith Barney's Wealth Management office in Winter Park, Florida, and has earned the Family Wealth Director (FWD) designation. David has been a member of the financial services industry for more than 17 years and holds an MBA from the Crummer Graduate School of Business at Rollins

#### **GREGG LAWLESS**

was nominated for his second Juno award in February for Children's Album of the Year. He received his nomination for the album *Encore*, which he recorded as Gregg LeRock, his French-language name familiar to countless elementary school kids. The bilingual musician was nominated in the same category in 2009 for his album, *Ouil*.

#### **ANDREW SIMPSON**

writes that after graduating from Ryerson University with a degree in Civil Engineering Technology and spending many years in building, he became involved in the recycling business and the use of alternate energy. Interestingly, these are areas he wished to pursue upon leaving SAC and he would therefore urge graduates to pursue their youthful passions. Andrew has received a Governor General's En-



vironmental Award in recognition of long-standing commitment and contributions to waste reduction. He volunteers with Future Centre Trust, an organization which promotes environmental sustainability, and he often participates in efforts to maintain a litter-free society. He lives in Barbados with his wonderful wife Tracey and their son Luke and daughter Kelly. They do occasionally visit Canada and invite Canadians, Anniversary Reunion CLASS OF 1986 especially Andreans, SEPT. 23, 2011 to visit Barbados. They recently enjoyed entertaining Kevin Schofield '83

#### STUART "SPANKY" WRIGHT

and Jeff Tiemens '83 along with

their respective connections.

moved to Florida from Germany, where both he and his wife Kimberly worked on the Ramstein Air Base for the United States Air Force. Stuart now works as an IT specialist for the U.S. Air Force at the MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa, Florida.

## 1987

#### SIMON MURFITT

and wife Ginnie welcomed a daughter, Jemima Mary Elizabeth, on January 13. Jemima is a sister for three-year-old William. Simon and his family live in Cheriton, England.

## 1988

#### **ANTHONY REID**

and his wife Amber welcomed Janaiya Grace, a sister for Brielle, on December 13, 2010. Anthony



enjoyed his time back at SAC in

January participating in the under-40 Old Boys' hockey game and the dinner that followed. He and his family live in Edmonton, AB.

## 1992

#### IAN MICHAEL

was on campus in February speaking at the Grade 11 Career Fair about his career as an attorney. Ian is a Partner with McCarthy Tetrault LLP and was recently appointed SAC Foundation Trustee.

#### **CHRISTIAN STEIN**

recently relocated to Paris, France from the Netherlands where he is working for an advertising agency called TBWA\G1 as an International Account Director leading the Infiniti car account for Europe, the Middle East, Russia, Africa and India.

## 1993

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#### **MARCUS GILLAM**

is Vice President at Carillion Construction Inc. ranked in 2010

as Canada's 8th largest
construction company
by Reed Construction Data. Carillion is
owned by a U.K.based company and de-

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## 1990

#### **JAMES BARTON**

married Jodie Papoosha at Beltane Ranch in Glen Ellen, California, on August 14, 2010. James' brother, Hugh Barton '89, was the best man and Fergus Prentice '90 was a groomsman. Chris Armaly '90 and Ted Shaw '90 were also in attendance. James is a dermatologist in San Francisco, California.



## 1991

#### **ASHLEY NEWALL**

visited the campus in November with his girlfriend, Karen Keskinen, Director of Communications at Ashbury College. Ashley is a musician in the Ottawa area, playing bass guitar for a group called "Big Bend" and the "Ashley Newall Band." Ashley's first ever performance took place alongside Rod Christie '90 at a St. Andrew's talent night during Mayfest 1989. Ashley lives in Ottawa.

## 1992

#### MARK ETHERINGTON

and his wife Katie had their four-year-old son, Brian John, baptized by Rev. Bruce Roffey in the Memorial Chapel on October 24, 2010. Uncles Sean '94 and Paul '95 were in attendance, as were Darcy Montgomery '92, grandparents and friends.



## Visual artist and filmmaker

He started out at SAC as a "very dedicated" painter and his "A Hint of St. Andrew's" painting has twice been chosen for the Headmaster's Christmas card. Not surprisingly, he won the Christopher Ball Prize for overall contribution to the arts in his graduating year. But today, Alex Boothby '92 is referred to by SAC drama and film guru William Scoular as "the leading digital special effects artist in Canada today."

Like another filmmaker profiled in this issue, Alex was inspired by storytelling as well as painting during his time at SAC, where he was heavily influenced and encouraged by art teachers Steve Kimmerer and Tino Paolini, as well as by Will Scoular. He believed the disciplines of art and story joined together in film, so he enrolled in the film program at Ryerson University in Toronto. In his second year there, he began working as a visual effects artist and matte painter for a firm called Toybox, that would later join Technicolor Creative Services. When he graduated from Ryerson in 1996, he joined the company full time and traded in his paintbrush for a computer mouse and stylus. "I didn't have extensive computer expertise," he recalls, "but they liked my painting portfolio. This was at a time when visual effects was moving away from the physical world to the digital, so I was able to get into the discipline on artistic skill alone and learn it from the ground up."

He would go on to work for 17 years as a digital artist, matte painter and online editor, working on feature films, television and commercials. He estimates that he has worked on over 2,000 commercials, not only as a visual effects specialist, but also as a director. Acura, Budweiser, Smirnoff, Michelob — you name it, Alex was a key cog. His work as visual effects supervisor has led him to work on film sets in Africa, North and South America, New Zealand and Europe. He has won numerous awards for his work, including The Norman Jewison Filmmaker award, three Bessie Craft awards, a MMVA and several Gemini nominations. His feature film credits include *Fight Club*, *Panic Room, The Cell, Chicago*, and, most recently, *Black Swan*.

The last 10 years have seen Alex move more and more into directing freelance projects and developing his own project ideas. This has culminated in embarking on his own independent film project, which he wrote and directed.

*Mr. Viral*, his first feature film, is an absurdist satire on the marketing and ad world in which he worked for so many years. ("Yes," he confesses, "it's a little bit autobiographical.") Alex



hopes to debut the film at the Toronto International Film Festival in September and perhaps at Sundance after that. After the festival circuit and a small theatrical run, the film will head to DVD and Blu-ray and eventually to TV.

Alex was aided by an amazing team, which included his brother Rod '89 and D. Jim Mirkopoulos '90, VP of Cinespace Film Studios, who joined the project as an associate producer.

Alex has continued to maintain ties with SAC. A year ago he was invited by Will Scoular to help with the shooting, special effects and post-production of the major SAC video series that is now on the School website, YouTube and in commercials running on CBC, CityTV and CTV. Though Will credits him highly, Alex is characteristically modest. "I came in halfway through the process," he says, "and I helped with the final assembly, but the real genius was with William and his cinematographer, Michael LeBlanc."

Like many in the film industry, Alex finds little time for outside pursuits, though he and girlfriend and creative partner Janine Short do try to maintain some balance. "The film industry is all-encompassing," he notes. "Fortunately, it's also very collaborative and social. You may work 18-hour days, but it's with a team of creative people you really like, doing something you truly love."

Alex and Janine live in Toronto. His brother, Rod, lives in San Francisco and works with Cloud Software.

## Old Boys' News



signs, builds, manages and finances a wide range of facilities up to approximately \$1 billion in value. In February, Marcus was invited to talk about careers in construction with the grade 11 students. He reported that the construction industry is one of Canada's largest industries, employing roughly 1 in every 16 Canadians. The industry encompasses many disciplines including architecture, engineering, development, finance and facilities management. Undergoing healthy growth, the industry represents great opportunities for young people to pursue interesting and rewarding careers, leave a tangible legacy and make a positive impact on the environment. Marcus lives in Toronto with his wife Francesca and their two young daughters. His hobbies include real estate investing and long distance running. In fact, last year he placed 28th in the Toronto Goodlife Marathon!

#### **EUGENE KA**

enjoyed a reunion with Mark Fell '87 in Hong Kong last December when Mark visited the RBC offices where Eugene works as a VP of



HK Wealth Management. Mark is currently a Senior Director of Wealth Management for RBC in Toronto. The two Old Boys enjoyed reminiscing and were also joined by Eugene's father, Francis, a longtime veteran of RBC and currently the Vice Chairman of RBC Wealth Management International.

#### RYAN MCNALLY

and his wife Megan welcomed the arrival of their son, Robert Duncan Curtis, on January 25. Duncan and his parents are doing well following their move back to Toronto from Halifax. Ryan is continuing his career with BMO, recently accepting the role of Chief Operating Officer with BMO Harris Private Banking.

## 1994

#### **DERRICK GRAY**

and his wife Melissa welcomed Hudson Robert into the world on August 19, 2010. Derrick is Director, Research Sample Design & Control for BBM Canada (Bureau of Broadcast Measurement) and lives with his family in Toronto.

## 1995

#### **GREGOR GILLAM**

has been accepted into the Carillion Leadership Program at his employer, Carillion Construction Inc. The program aims to provide a structured career path lasting two years, which fast tracks individuals to more senior positions through focused development and leadership experience. Gregor lives in Toronto.



Geoff with his Sherpa partner, Pasang, on the summit of Mt. Baruntse. The mountain in the background of the photo is Mt. Everest.

## 1995

#### **GEOFF CATTRALL**

summitted Mt. Baruntse (7,129 metres or 23,383 feet) in the Nepal Himalayas as part of a six-person summit team in November 2010. His expedition was 42 days long and involved climbing Mt. Mera (6,475 metres) for acclimatization. Geoff writes that they then left base camp (6,450 metres) at 1 a.m. to reach the summit around 9 a.m. Geoff has been living in Hong Kong for nearly seven years and works as a First Officer on the Airbus 330 and Airbus 340 for Cathay Pacific Airways.

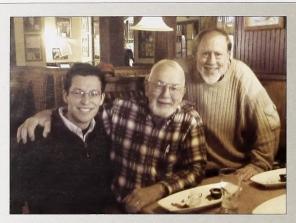


## 1996

#### SANTIAGO BARONA

sent us a photo of the first Old Boys' Pub Night in Singapore, which he looks forward to making a regular event. From I-r: Simon Turcotte '99, Joel Ford '03, Santiago, Atsushi Takada '97, and Joji Tanaka '97 are all living in Singapore and welcome any Old Boys passing through. Simon works for Singapore Airlines; Joel is a pilot for Tiger Airways; Santiago is a Senior Manager at Oliver Wyman; Atsushi works for Robert Bosch; and Joji works for a hedge fund.

## Old Boys' News



1998

#### **TOMAS HIRMER**

had lunch recently with former teachers Fred Hiltz (middle) and Rupert Ray. He is working in the space industry, helping design next-generation orbital space robotics. He currently lives in the Greater Toronto Area.



## 2000

#### **STEVE GARIEPY**

is the proud father of Brodie Tyler, born December 30, 2010, the boy he and his wife Lindsay always wanted. Steve says that he is already preparing Brodie for his future SAC career as part of the Class of 2027. Steve, Lindsay and Brodie live in Fergus, ON.

## 2001

#### **GORD BIRKETT**

married Sarah Fullerton, sister of Kevin
'02 and Scott '05, on October 16, 2010
in the Memorial Chapel. Kevin and
Scott were groomsmen, as well as
Tim '04, Gord's brother, and Dan von
Diergardt '04. Other Old Boys in attendance included: Gord's father, Tom '74,
Michael Carney '05, Matt Crane '04,
Michael Crispi '00, Ryan Devald '00,
Fred Kane '03, Jeff Marshall '97, Ross
Marshall '01, Samuel Rothwell '00,
Michael Richardson '00, Jarryd Stock '03,
Darryl Stock '04, Greg Thompson '00,
Geza von Diergardt '74,
Bob Topping '74, and Douglas Kane '73.



## 1996

#### TIM CAMPBELL

worked for the NHL in the Hockey Operations "War Room" from 2001 until the end of the 2010 season. In Hockey Opera-

tions, games are monitored live both onsite and from the War Room office in Toronto. The War Room staff are responsible for every aspect of the game ranging from rule enforcement to scouting. The aim is to make sure games are played correctly — from reviewed goals in "real time" to suspensions after a game is over. Tim was hired by the Chicago Blackhawks last summer as the Assistant Coach/Video Coach and is now living in Chicago.

## 1997

#### MIKE FOY

and his wife Kelly welcomed a second son, Hudson, into the world on September 3, 2010. Older siblings Olivia and Jaxson are thrilled. The Foy family lives in Toronto.

#### **DUANE GAFOOR**

and his wife Assil were on campus in February while visiting family in the area. They have a daughter, Talia, born in May, 2010 and are living in Hong Kong.

#### **NATHAN GEDDES-MORRISON**

qualified in 2007 as an attorneyat-law in Jamaica, having been previously called to the Bar in 2005 in England. Nathan was made partner of Abendana & Abendana in 2008 and practices in the fields of conveyancing, company, personal injury, and criminal law. His younger brother,

Christian Geddes-Morrison

'12, currently attends SAC in grade 11. Nathan also owns a beach villa and will give exceptional rates to all SAC Old Boys.

## Tales to a

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has taken a position in the finance group of Torys LLP based in Toronto and New York. Previously, he practiced for four years in the New York office of Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy LLP in the Global Finance Group. Simon married Magdalena Rosengarten in 2006, and he and Maggie enjoy their time in both Toronto and New York.

## 1999

#### **GEORGE BROWN**

received his MBA on May 13, 2010 from the Freeman School of Business at Tulane University in New Orleans. George has accepted a position in the RBC Wealth Management Generalist Program through RBC in Toronto, a unique



rotational program offered to a select number of individuals each year. He is living in Toronto.

## 2000

#### WARREN BYRNE

recently moved back to Toronto from California where he manages racehorses and forms syndicates for racehorse ownership. His company is called Rancho Park Management.

## 2001

#### **DEVON AJRAM**

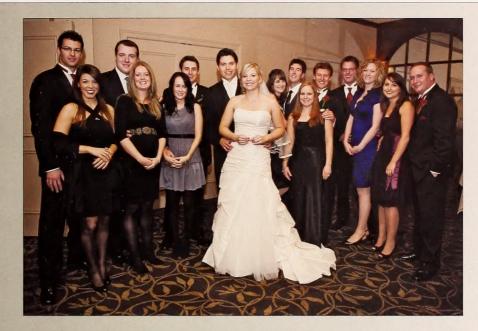
recently completed his MBA in Finance at McGill University's Desautels Faculty of Management and was a member of the Dean's List. He lives in Montreal and works for TD Bank as a Sales Manager within its Real Estate Secured Lending Group.

#### SAMIR BHAYANA

works for Inscape Corporation, a contract furniture business head-quartered in Holland Landing, ON. Inscape designs and manufactures office furniture solutions. Samir is the Director of Sales, Architectural Interiors Canada. His area of responsibility includes the sale and distribution of their architectural products across the country. Samir lives in Holland Landing.

#### JONATHAN CHENG

is working for the Wall Street Journal in New York City covering the stock markets. After graduating from Princeton University, where he studied history and did news writing on the side, Jon was hired as an intern by the Wall Street Journal and sent to Hong Kong. After five years in Hong Kong covering politics, property, casinos



## 2001

#### MICHAEL CAMPBELL

married Stephanie Danby at the Pillar and Post in Niagara-on-the-Lake on October 23, 2010. Old Boys from the Class of 2001 in attendance included: James Allen, Michael Dainard, John Lyons, Eric Heizer, Warren Lowe, and Cameron Steed. Mike and Steph are living in Stouffville, ON, and loving every minute of it!



#### **ROBBIE CARTER**

captained the Aurora Barbarians men's rugby team to its third McCormick Cup championship in four years last November. The Barbarians defended their title with a 19–17 victory over the Oakville Crusaders at Fletcher's Fields in Markham, ON, and Robbie was named MVP for the season. The McCormick Cup is the Ontario Rugby Union's men's championship, contested by the top teams from across the province.



Robbie writes that his introduction to rugby as a grade 7 student at St. Andrew's has been one of the biggest factors in his life and has opened doors for him that he never imagined: from travel and forming lifelong friendships, to meeting his wife Jennifer, also a rugby player. He believes that rugby, more than any other sport, is a community sport. After leaving his SAC "family," he became part of the Aurora Barbarians RFC "family" and hopes to remain an active member for the rest of his life. Robbie thanks SAC's rugby coach, Stuart Swan, for instilling the love and commitment for the sport of rugby in him. He lives in Burlington, ON, with Jennifer and their 3-year-old daughter, Payton.



## 2001

#### **CAM STEED**

married Jessica French on February 20, surrounded by friends and family in Toronto. Included in his wedding party were fellow Old Boys and 2001 classmates Mike Dainard, James Allen, Mike Campbell and John Lyons. As well as adjusting to married life, Cam and Jessica recently purchased their first home a condo in Toronto's Liberty Village, which they moved into this past March. Cam continues to work in the marketing/advertising field in Toronto, most recently with the digital agency, Marketwire.





#### MARC SWENKER

had this photo taken of him and a local boy in a small village near Uzhgorod, Ukraine. He has followed his passion for film since graduating from St. Andrew's, going on to attend Ryerson University's Film Studies program and graduating with a BFA. Marc works primarily as a producer and will be releasing his first three documentaries in 2011 with two more to come in 2012. Marc is currently in the process of completing a documentary about the plight of the Roma (Gypsies) called *A People Uncounted*, for which he travelled through 12 countries with a crew of six. For this documentary, Marc teamed up with Michael Moore's editor, Kurt Engfehr (*Bowling for Columbine, Fahrenheit 9/11*). He is also producing and directing a documentary about Chuck Berry and his influence on rock and roll. This documentary is a joint venture between Universal Music Canada and Gibson Guitars and slated for a 2012 release. Marc currently lives in Toronto.

and a handful of bizarre court cases, the *Journal* moved him back to New York where he is now a member of the paper's Money and Investing Team. Jon reports on trends in stocks, bonds, commodities and currencies.

#### MIKE CRAIG

was transferred to London, England in 2009 to continue working in KPMG's restructuring practice, with a focus on international operational restructuring engagements. So far he has worked on a major international music label, for a bus company, and more recently, at the turnaround and relaunch of a global aircraft parts provider. Next steps are to take a year off and pursue an MBA at INSEAD in France and Singapore. The year should serve as an opportunity to investigate various other career options of interest, to continue to build an international business network, to improve his French, and to play rugby for the first time.

#### JACKSON LAU

began his postgraduate studies in

2008 and recently graduated from the Royal Holloway University of London's MBA program with merit, majoring in International Management. While doing his MBA, he was concurrently enrolled in the postgraduate laws programs from UCL/ Queen Mary, University of London and will be awarded the Master of Laws, Postgraduate Diploma and Postgraduate Certificate majoring in International Business Law, International Dispute Resolution and Intellectual Property Law, respectively. He is now living with his family and looking for employment opportunities in Hong Kong.

#### **OLIVIER MANIGAT**

is working in Jacksonville, Florida, as an in-house attorney for the United Football League (UFL). The UFL is an upstart professional league, which provides high-quality football during a traditional fall season. The UFL's second season concluded in November and the league plans to expand to new cities in 2011. Olivier handles contract and business legal matters for the league and its member teams. He



Jackson is seen in this photo, kneeling in the front on the right side. The photo was taken at Royal Holloway, University of London with his MBA class in front of the Founders Building

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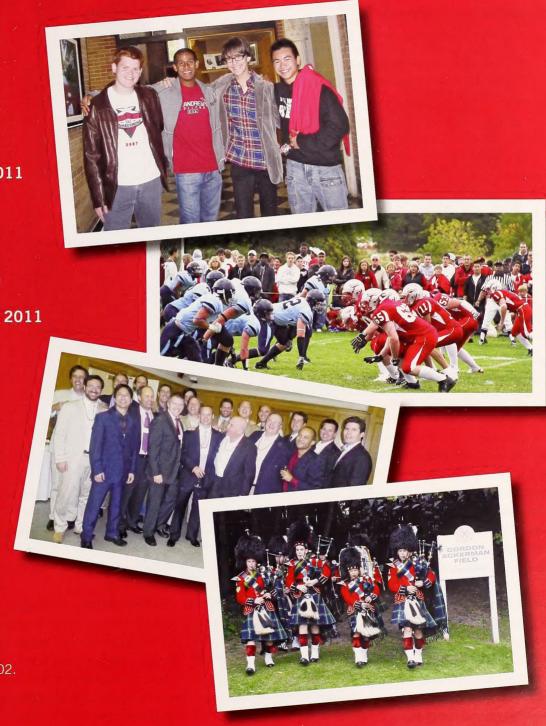
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# Postcard Grad

#### **SOUNG-HUN LEE '03**

After leaving St. Andrew's, I studied neurobiology and minored in economics at Stanford University,

where I graduated with honours in 2007. I then joined Lehman Brothers Private Equity and spent three years in Asia. After a bit of soul searching and contemplating what I wanted to do with my life, I decided to quit finance and go back to the States to continue school.

I am currently pursuing my master's degree at the University of California, San Diego's Bioengineering department, which ends in June. Fortunately, I did very well on the LSAT and was admitted to Harvard, Yale, Stanford and Columbia (full scholarship) Law School J.D. programs. I haven't chosen which school to attend yet, but I believe I will accept the offer from Harvard

and head to Boston this fall. I am interested in biotech-related intellectual property law and would like to pursue a career in patent prosecution and litigation after law school.

SAC definitely prepared me well for my studies. Science courses taught by Mr. Butcher, Mr. Shields, Mr. Galajda, Mr. Inglis and Mr. Jones built a strong foundation for my research at Stanford, and I really appreciated those classes when taking intensive core courses in college. My passion in science played a major role in choosing to specialize in intellectual property, so in a way it all started from my SAC education. However, I consider the friends I made at SAC my most valuable take-away from the School. I still keep in touch with, and quite frequently hang out with, SAC friends in Hong Kong and Korea. They are a great source of inspiration and always remind me of the good old days in Aurora.

I truly enjoy what I currently study and am less stressed than I've ever been (although I hear the first year of law school is very stressful due to demanding course load). The three-year hiatus between schools has offered valuable experiences that will guide me throughout the rest of my career, and I hope younger Andreans do the same, by not being afraid to take challenges to find the true passion that they feel strongly about. They might not be lucky enough to find it early, but the key is to learn, and the process itself will offer valuable life lessons as it did for me.

also provides general legal advice and support to the football and business operations of the teams, as well as the league's various departments. Olivier says that he enjoys combining his profession with a sport he enjoyed playing at SAC.

#### ANDREW MARTIN

articled at the Policy Division of the Ministry of the Attorney General from 2009-2010 and was called to the Ontario Bar in June 2010. Andrew is currently in a clerkship at the Ontario Court of Appeal. He plans to go back to school in August for a master's degree in law. He also had a paper published in the *McGill Journal* 

of Law and Health in January. Andrew lives in Toronto.

#### **JEFF OVENS**

graduated from Queen's University with three degrees (BScH, MSc, BEd) and was captain of the Queen's Golden Gaels hockey team. Following university, Jeff decided to pursue a career coaching hockey and moved to Calgary where he worked for Calgary Hockey Development (CHD) for two years. He currently works at Oilfields High School where he teaches in the Quest Program and runs the Hockey Canada Skills Academy. Jeff also owns STIX Hockey Academy and is a Player

Development Coach for the Medicine Hat Tigers of the Western Hockey League. He lives in Turner Valley, Alberta.

### 2002 RYAN AUSTIN

is the Head of Training, Americas for the World Trade Group. The training courses focus on international best practice strategies and technology selection, providing senior level executives from the largest companies in the world with a forum to learn and develop practical tools. Ryan currently resides in Toronto and travels frequently for business and pleasure.

#### ADAM BRANDER

finished his master's degree in Architecture in December 2010 from the University of Toronto and is working full-time at Dialog (formerly Cohos Evamy) in Toronto.

#### GIANCARLO TRIMARCHI

has joined the family business as Store Supervisor for Vince's Market in Newmarket and as Financial Controller for the company. He spent the past two years working with RBC in Commercial Markets and recently decided to become part of Vince's Market management team with locations in Sharon, Uxbridge, Etobicoke and Newmarket. Giancarlo lives in Newmarket with his wife Kristen.

## 2003

#### ALLAN BEAN

has had many interesting adventures since graduating in 2007 from Mount Allison University. The first six months was spent running an education program at Kilcoo Camp (he played a small role in the movie Camp Rock, which was filmed there). Allan then went to work for a family in Lausanne, Switzerland for almost a year. After returning to Toronto in 2008, he landed a position with Clark & Horner LLP, an accounting firm that focuses on family office services, U.S.-Canada tax, and small enterprise audit. Allan will complete his CMA in June and plans to pursue a role in business-to-business transactions. Last summer, he helped organize and raise funds for the annual Canoe Heads for Kids fundraiser in Toronto, raising \$56,000 to send underprivileged children to summer camp. Allan lives in Toronto.

# Gulf of Mexico spill "like a war zone"

In the infamous "double-cohort" vear of 2003, James Kesten '03 had to decide whether to go to Dalhousie University in Halifax or the University of British Columbia. He chose Dalhousie. He had to decide between engineering and science. When his dad simply suggested, "Why don't you try engineering?" he decided to give it a go. Little did he know that seven years later those decisions would put him in the midst of one of the greatest ecological disasters of modern times, providing information to help plug the largest offshore oil leak in history.

In July of 2010, Welaptega Marine was asked to send a team to the Gulf of Mexico to offer its state-of-the-art 3D modelling services to aid the engineers capping the BP

Macondo well that was pouring untold millions of barrels of oil into the ecosystem. James and two colleagues made the trip. It was an important one for the small company ("The CEO walked us to the airport cab," he recalls), which specializes in regulatory inspections of subsea architecture. James and one colleague spent 14 days at sea while the company's inspecting equipment descended 1,500 metres to the well site on a remotely operated vehicle to gather data. The data was

sent to the third colleague, now in Houston, where it was processed and analyzed.

James recalls the feelings of desperation that were apparent onsite by all involved in tackling the crisis. "We had our



Garage of the company got the call from BP and 12 hours later we were on a chopper over the Gulf.

job to do," he recalls, "and we knew how to do it. But there was definitely a sense that you were contributing to a much larger cause." He described the rancid stench of oil in the air, the constant need for ventilation inside the ship, and one occasion when the ventilating system failed and the crew had to take to their bunks that night wearing emergency breathing apparatus. "It was quite surreal and all happened very quickly," he says. "The company got the call from BP and 12 hours later we were on a chopper over the Gulf. It was like going into a war zone."

Welaptega owner Tony Hall had high praise for his young team in the Gulf. "I can't say enough about my people," he says. "Here they are in their

mid-20s, parachuted into an extremely high-pressure, high-profile situation to help solve one of the biggest offshore incidents in history, and they handled the job beautifully."

James, who grew up in Kleinburg, ON, and was a St. Andrew's student from grade 7 to 12, started at Welaptega straight out of Dalhousie. He had spent his final work term with the firm and found a great fit not only professionally with the company, but also personally with the city of Halifax. "It's amazing

how a couple of decisions you make in high school can affect the path of your whole life," he says. "I often wonder where I'd be if I'd decided in grade 12 to go to UBC!" JIM MCGILLIVRAY



#### **MATTHEW EATON-KENT '06**

I think SAC, specifically the Guidance Office, was fundamental to opening my eyes to the opportunity

of overseas education. I had considered the U.S., but not the U.K. It turned out to be exactly what I was looking for.

Undergraduate programs in the U.K. are very focused, which is what I wanted since I was looking to immerse myself in politics. The London School of Economics (LSE) was great for that. It gave me a wide-ranging and international perspective during my studies, as the school was not only in downtown London, but also boasts one of the most international student bodies of any university. SAC really helped give me a leg up at LSE, particularly with students from Europe, by training me to properly write essays. Each class I had at SAC added to my skills in this area. It was



invaluable and has continued to offer me a foundation of skills that I draw on in my graduate studies,
After living abroad for three years, I thought I was ready to come back to Canada. However, after
my first year in law school, I was ready for adventure again. So, in the summer, against the frantic
pleadings of my parents, I went tree planting in Northern Ontario. It was a tremendous experience. I
lived in a tent the whole time in the middle of a forest about 30 minutes north of Hearst. It was the
hardest work I have ever done; it was a record season for heat and we worked 10 hour days outdoors.
On my best day, I planted 4,000 trees and over 85,000 trees during the season. I enjoyed it so much
I am heading to BC for a second season. It has made me realize that I need adventure, and thus I am
looking at career options that would allow me to combine my interest in international law and my
desire for adventure.

Next year, I will finish my last semester at Queen's University, then I plan on attending the law school at the University of Sydney in Australia on an exchange for a semester to finish my final credits toward my JD and graduation from Queen's in 2012.

In terms of other Old Boys, I bump into Rob Iaccino '05, all the time. Last summer I spent a weekend at the cottage of Joey Burke with Paul Ross, Taylor Campbell, Anton Bennett, Logan Hurst, Dean Hamann, Scott Johnstone (all '06) and Derek Cleary '07. It was just like old times.

#### **MARK CHENG**

is pursuing his MA at Columbia University's Teachers College in New York. His program is called Economics and Education, and he plans to work in education policy after graduation.

#### **GEOFF DELEAN**

moved from Halifax to Toronto last September after travelling through Europe for two and a half months. He recently switched jobs from Cambridge Mercantile Group (where he worked with Lennon Sweeting '05) to RBC Dominion Securities, where he is an assistant to Laszlo "Les" Fur '85, a full service broker. Geoff is also working on a start-up business, the Superior Group of Companies, which consists of Superior Property Management, Superior Condo Cleaning and Superior Painting. He is still with his girlfriend of seven years, Samantha Ivey, and is busy playing hockey in the ASHL on Tuesday nights.

#### **HUGH DOWELL**

spoke to the Middle School and Upper School students in the Memorial Chapel in March. Hugh is studying to be a priest and shared some of his insights with the boys on how he discovered and is continuing to discern the call to his chosen profession.

#### **JOEL FORD**

was working on the ramp at WestJet in Calgary when he realized he wanted to become a pilot. He applied to a school based out of the U.K. and after a few interviews and assessments, was accepted. Commencing February 2007, he spent most of his time in New Zealand completing the basic flight training before heading off to the U.K. to fly and write his final assessments in September 2008. Joel began flying the Airbus a320 series for EasyJet Airlines in March 2009. He spent six months based

out of London, England and six months based out of Lyon, France. Joel then moved to Thomas Cook Airlines, based out of Manchester, during the summer of 2010. He is now flying in Singapore for Tiger Airways — a low-cost airline flying the Airbus a320 to destinations within five hours of Singapore.

#### ARMEN KHAJETOORIAN

graduated from New York Law School in May 2010 and has since passed the New York Bar exam. He has been working as a legal associate since September at Borah, Goldstein, Altschuler, Nahins & Goidel, P.C., a real estate law firm in Manhattan.

## 2004 DAVID MCNABB



(I-r) Geoff Delean '03, Lennon Sweeting '05 and David were spotted at the annual Carol Service in December. David attended Concordia University and has been working in Toronto for the past four years. He is currently a Senior Account Manager for Xerox Canada Ltd. and lives in Toronto.

#### **RICKY REININGER**

was on campus in February for the grade 11 Career Fair where he spoke with the boys about his art career. His words of advice were: go out and pursue a career in a field or area you enjoy. Ricky lives in Newmarket, ON.



#### JUSTIN WONG

graduated from the University of Chicago Law School last June with a Doctor of Law (with Honours) and was admitted to the New York State Bar in January this year. He is currently working as an Associate at Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP in Hong Kong. Justin's practice focuses on mergers and acquisitions, principally for private equity clients/financial sponsors.

## 2005

#### **RYAN BRYCE**

has been hired as the Annual Fund Officer for St. Andrew's College. Ryan is enjoying the perks of the job, especially visiting with lots of Old Boys. He continues to coach a York Simcoe Express AAA hockey team with colleague Nicholas Weedon '02.

#### THAINE CARTER

was drafted by the CFL's Winnipeg Blue Bombers in spring 2009. He moved to Toronto last fall and is currently working for Altus Group as an Analyst for its Research, Valuation & Advisory division.

#### MICHAEL GENIN

graduated from the engineering program at Queen's University and has decided to pursue a career in sales for Trane Canada. Trane provides heating and air-conditioning systems for all types of buildings. Michael works mostly with design engineering firms in Toronto to help them design buildings with Trane systems so they can be safe, green, and more efficient. He lives in Toronto.

#### JEFF HYNDS

is working as an intern for a church in downtown Toronto and enjoys providing hospitality and building relationships. He is also studying part time at George Brown College to become an ESL teacher and plans to teach ESL to adult immigrants with hopes of working as an immigrant settlement worker. Jeff lives in the neighbourhood of St. James Town in Toronto.

#### MARKO KOVACEVIC

graduated from McGill University two years ago and has returned home to Serbia where he is playing hockey for Partizan (Belgrade) in the Slovenian league. In early March, he led his team to the championship and was named the MVP after he scored six goals in two games. He is also taking

courses at the local university as he works toward his MBA.

#### JARED LESLIE

graduated in 2009 from Hamilton College, and was then accepted into a M.Sc. program at the London School of Economics (LSE) where he studied International Relations. "I thoroughly enjoyed my entire experience at LSE," says Jared. Prior to graduating in December 2010 he began working for Power Trac-Solar Inc., an innovative Ontario solar company. Jared has continued to work with them in business development post-graduation back in Toronto, along with classmate Sinclair Bean '05. Jared says he has kept in contact with several Andreans through attending Old Boys' receptions in London, England and in Toronto.

#### **LENNON SWEETING**

attended Dalhousie University's School of Business Management in Halifax, Nova Scotia with many Old Boys, including Paul Ross '06, Geoffrey Delean '03 and Rudy Allen '06. While in Halifax, he also worked as a Brand Manager for Red Bull energy drink. Upon his arrival back in Toronto, Lennon was greeted by long-time friend and fellow Andrean, David McNabb '04, who introduced him to his soon-to-be boss at Cambridge Mercantile Group where he is currently employed as a Foreign Exchange Trader. This August, he plans on sailing through Southern Croatia and Northern Italy with a group of friends, including Geoffrey Delean. Lennon still plays hockey and is happy the golf season has started. He lives in Toronto.



#### **RICHARD HOUSSER '07**

When I first started at UBC four years ago, I was admitted to the Arts faculty and wasn't really sure what to expect. It took some time to decide what I wanted to do and after a month of classes (most general first-year

courses), one stuck out in my mind — Forestry 100. I switched that month and have been pursuing my Bachelor of Science in Forestry (BSF) degree, with a forest operations specialization, ever since.

My degree has some very technical classes, but I've taken others that focus on ethics, professionalism, and policy. The program has given me a broad understanding of all the basics required for working as a professional.

During my time at SAC, I prepared for more of a financial track, taking classes like economics, accounting, and statistics. When I was deciding on what to major in, I really wasn't sure what I wanted to do. I thought maybe I wanted to follow in my father's footsteps as a businessman, but I was also interested in pursuing engineering like my grandfather.

The classes I took at SAC prepared me well. Much of the material I learned in grade 12, I was taught again during my first year and sometimes since then. I continue to be amazed when we go over something in a third or fourth year class, and I recognize the content as something I learned in grade 12.

I am working again for the fourth consecutive summer with a forestry company called West Fraser Timber in Hinton, Alberta. Working with a company like West Fraser has allowed me to apply what I have learned in my degree program and combine it with real world experiences. We do everything from timber harvesting supervision and road and timber cutblock layout, to tree planting supervision and environmental and wildlife assessments. Working has introduced me to all things forestry-related from day one.

In September, I will begin my final semester at UBC. I would like to take a few years to gain additional work experience before considering returning to school to pursue an MBA or law degree.

Not many Andreans choose to come out west for university. I have seen Emerson Wai '07 a few times on campus as well as Michael Lara '06, but that's been spread over my last four years. I enjoyed attending the Vancouver event two years ago, and I hope to make it back to St. Andrew's sometime soon.

## 2007

#### ANTHONY D'ANTONIO

co-founded a small marketing company, Monkey Marketing, in January 2009. Instead of financial gains, Anthony and his partner, a fellow student at McMaster University, are looking for gains in credibility through referrals and testimonials. They hope to launch the venture into a full-time business by the summer of 2013. Anthony has also been offered a two-year scholarship and two-year employment placement as a Co-ordinator of Marketing and Sales from his current employer, iPLANcorp in Newmarket, ON.





## 2008

#### **MICHAEL CHOI**

met up with four Andreans in Boston for the College Squash Association (CSA) Nationals at Harvard University in February. Pictured above from I-r are: Kyle Yoon '08 (Lehigh University, #2 rank), Michael '08 (Johns Hopkins University, #5 rank), Chan Moon Park '08 (Northwestern University, #8 rank), Kevin Park '08 (University of Washington, #7 rank), and Gil Han '09 (Tufts University). Michael said, "It was awesome to see four of our Varsity Squash friends in Nationals. We really miss the days we competed at SAC." Johns Hopkins University ended up ranked 38th (last year 59th), which Michael called a "huge accomplishment."

## 2006

#### **ADRIAN BRUNO**

was recently awarded the York University Psychology Award presented to the student with the highest graduating GPA in the BSc psychology program. He is completing his summer medical electives in Huntsville and Hamilton and will be rotating through several medical specialties this summer including: anesthesia, cardiology, radiology and ophthalmology. Adrian will be entering his clinical clerkship year in the fall of 2011.

#### SPENCER HIGGS

graduated with an honours degree in English from the University of Florida in May 2010. He backpacked through Europe following graduation and is now writing and shooting photography for a startup surfing magazine in Southern Florida. He is considering attending law school in England or returning to university for a master's degree.

## 2007

#### **DOUG MCDONALD**

graduated this spring from The University of Western Ontario with a Bachelor of Management and Organizational Studies (BMOS), with a major in finance and accounting. While at university, Doug interned in the finance and accounting department at the MaRS Discovery District and spent a summer as a policy research intern at the Toronto Board of Trade. He also put his finance skills to good use as a member and finance director of several on-campus organizations.

#### JUSTIN NOZUKA

was nominated for a 2011 Juno Award for Adult Alternative Album of the Year. In the coming months, Justin will complete an international tour in support of his sophomore album.

#### MATT O'DONNELL

was selected to play in the 86th edition of the East-West Shrine game, representing Canadian Interuniversity Sport (CIS). The game took place in January at the Florida Citrus Bowl in Orlando, Matt. an offensive tackle who stands 6 feet 10 inches tall and weighs 340 pounds, represented the Queen's University Football team and became the tallest and heaviest CIS player to take part in the game. He is only the second Queen's player to be invited. Matt was named 'lineman of the year' in the Ontario University Athletics conference and was one of only two athletes selected to the first all-Canadian team on offence for the second straight season. In 2009, after helping Queen's capture its first Vanier Cup since 1992, Matt was ranked eleventh on the CFL Scouting Bureau's top 15 prospects list in April.

#### **RYAN THOM**

graduated from Tufts University in May with a BA in Economics and enjoyed playing his third year on the Men's Varsity Ice Hockey team (NCAA - Division III). He has accepted a job as an analyst in the M&A Advisory Group at Berenson & Company, a New York investment bank.



#### JON TOZZI

ran Wilfrid Laurier University's annual "5 Days for the Homeless" campaign this year. He has participated in the campaign for the past four years, and slept outside for five days two years ago. The Laurier team exceeded its goal of raising \$10,000 this year and successfully pushed the campaign into area high schools as well. Jon is in his fourth year at Laurier and graduates this spring.

## 2008

#### PATRICK YAN

has changed his major from economics to a double major in employment relations and urban studies at the University of Toronto. This past year, he anchored the Varsity Blue's Football offensive line, posting the best win-loss record in over 10 years, and dressing and starting in nine games consecutively.

## 2009

#### **SEAN ENNIS**

was on campus as a volunteer judge for the Fulford Debating Tournament in February. He is in his second year at the University of Toronto, Victoria College, working on an Honours (double major) BA in History and Classical Civilization. Sean's brother, Liam '17, started at St. Andrew's in grade 6 this past September.

#### **MATT SOLLOWS**

has played for the OJHL Vaughan Vipers for the past two seasons. He has recently committed to play for the SUNY-Plattsburgh Cardinals (Divison I) for the 2011-12 season.

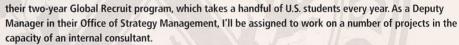
# Postcard Grad

#### **COLIN MURPHY '07**

I've had a really great experience at Yale University — it was everything I hoped it would be and more. I'm

graduating with a degree in English this spring and have kept busy acting in theatre productions on campus. The shows that Mr. Scoular puts on at SAC rival anything that is performed here, which is a testament to the strength of St. Andrew's drama program, the School's strong commitment to the arts, and Mr. Scoular's incredible vision. Were it not for him and the theatre opportunities that were available to me at SAC, I doubt I would have been involved with the theatre community at Yale.

I'm very excited about my plans for next year: I'll be moving to Mumbai where I will be working with an Indian conglomerate called Mahindra & Mahindra. Mahindra owns several companies and has a large stake in many different sectors, especially in the automotive and farm equipment industries. I was accepted into



I studied abroad in India during the fall semester of my junior (third) year and I interned last summer with Infosys, a large Indian IT firm based in Bangalore, so I'm thrilled to be heading back. I'm interested in learning more about India's culture and its rapidly growing economy and importance on the world stage.

I attended the SAC alumni reunion dinner in New York City last November and had a wonderful time: I caught up with Ryan Thom '07 and reminisced with Mr. Walden about my days as a trouble-maker. I've also been able to catch up with Greg Van de Mark '07 and Andrew Foster '07 during a visit this past November to Montreal; I'm pleased to report that they are both doing very well and are enjoying McGill.

## 2010

#### **KYLE MCFADYEN**

is currently playing second line offensive middie and backup attack for Carleton University's Varsity Lacrosse team in Ottawa, ON. Their regular season ended with an 8-2 record. Kyle is enjoying meeting other Andreans, including Ryan Besse '09, on the playing fields.

#### **KEVIN ZACHARUK**

is in his first year at The University of Western Ontario and visited campus during his reading week in February. He plays Junior B Hockey for the St. Thomas Stars. Kevin's brother **Kyle '13** is in grade 10 at SAC.

## 2009



#### RYAN COLE

(seated middle) is really enjoying university life at The University of Western Ontario and has started his own production company with his roommates. They launched their first production in February: Glengarry Glen Ross. SAC classmate, Grant Nych '09, also studying at Western, designed their website. Ryan's company does theatre and film production as well as media marketing and just signed their first major client on the marketing side. They will be running the first watch trade show and convention in Toronto for the Federation of Swiss Watch Makers in late August. They also have a few productions in the works for next year, possibly including Survival Box and a play called The Pillowman. In his free time, Ryan is studying business and pre-law.

## Old Boys' Obituaries

#### 1935

#### PETER REA

Peter C. Rea passed away on November 11, 2010 in Oakville, ON. He attended St. Andrew's College from 1925–35 where he



was Head Prefect and played on the 1st Cricket, 1st Football, 1st Basketball and 1st Swimming teams. As a proud member of the Queen's Own Rifles of Canada, he and many of his good friends were part of the first wave of soldiers to come ashore on D-Day, where he was severely wounded. After several months recuperation, he returned to his regiment and fought until the end of the war. In 1952, he moved to Oakville to manage the first branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia in that city. In the same year he bought

the house that he lived in for the remainder of his life. Peter was predeceased by his wife of 58 years, Kathleen, his brothers David '28 and Fred '30, and his granddaughter, Amanda. He is deeply missed by his sister Jocelyn, sons Michael (Barbara) and Tony, his four grandsons, and two great grandchildren.

#### 1938 BOB WADDS

Robert (Bob) W. Wadds passed away on February 26, 2011 in Morrisville, VT. He attended St. Andrew's from 1936–38 and upon graduation joined the Canadian Air Force where he served as a bomber pilot and as a flying instructor for the RCAF and the RAF during and after the Second World War. He later



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became an investment banker with McLeod, Young, Weir in Toronto and New York, and subsequently with First Boston Corp., and the Bank of NT Butterfield in Bermuda. Bob retired to Florida, eventually moving to Vermont. In addition to serving as Commissioner of the Stowe Electric Dept., Bob had a passion for rescuing dogs (as long as they were pugs) and had many of them over the years. He was predeceased by his brothers. George and William '37, and is survived by his wife Erika Hecht, his son Robert '62 (Margaret), and two grandsons.

#### 1949

#### FRED BURNIE

Frederick Williams Burnie died suddenly on January 31, 2011 at North York General Hospital in Toronto. He attended St. Andrew's from 1944–46. Fred loved to play the piano every chance he got and was a songwriter with recordings by artists Michael Sicoly, Dennis Day, Cal Bostic, Jackie Davis, and Janis Orenstein. He is survived by his wife Bernie (née Helmink) and his sister Jane Ann Callow.

#### JOHN CHRISTOPHERSON

John Handel Christopherson passed away on March 9, 2011 at his home in Greenwich,
Connecticut. John was a 'war guest' in Canada from 1940–44, having been evacuated from his home in Scarborough, England.
The family who 'adopted' John and his younger brother Barry '51 sent both boys to SAC for two years from 1942–44. He entered the RAF (Royal Air Force) in 1951



John Christopherson

and was on conscription for two years when he became a fighter pilot with the 56th Fighter Squadron. John went on to dedicate 41 years to a successful career in banking and foreign exchange where he made friends around the world. He repaid the industry for that 'lucky break' by assuming senior roles at ACI (Association Cambiste International), the Financial Markets Association chapters in three countries, including being the first to hold the role of President of the associations in Canada and the U.S. John was an active member of Indian Harbor Yacht Club for over 30 years where he raced, attended the annual regattas, served on various executive committees and had many laughs at his weekly lunches with the Tuesday Lunch Bunch. He leaves behind his wife of 56 years, Marguerite, and their children Sue and Peter.

#### 1950

#### **TONY PITFIELD**

Anthony (Tony) Campbell Pitfield passed away on November 14,



2010 in Vancouver, B.C., where he had resided for the past 40 years. He attended St. Andrew's from 1944-49 and was on the Review staff. He was predeceased by his son Tex (Jennifer), and survived by wife Sylvia, daughter Cathy (Ian), and three grandchildren.

#### 1957

#### **VICTOR BOTRIE**

Victor Alex Botrie passed away on December 5, 2009 at his home in Houston, Texas. He attended St. Andrew's from 1949-1950. Victor and his family moved to Houston in 1980 and were involved in various land development projects in the area. He is survived by Donna. his wife of 52 years, son Alexander '77, daughter Lisa, and two granddaughters.

#### 1958

#### **DAVID DENISON**

David William James Denison passed away on November 19, 2010 at Sunnybrook Hospital in Toronto. He attended St. Andrew's from 1952-58 where he played 1st Football. After graduating from the University of Toronto, David had a successful career in the pharmaceutical industry. He was a dedicated volunteer, wise counsellor, warm and caring friend, and inspiration to many. David is survived by his wife Donna, son Tim (Tara), daughter Lorna (James), and five granddaughters.

#### 1959

#### JOHN LETTS

John Robert Letts passed away on March 14, 2011 in Midland, ON. He attended St. Andrew's from 1954-58 and was back on campus in May 2009 to celebrate his 50th

reunion. John had a long career as a high school teacher. He is survived by wife Brenda, daughters Lisa Nixon (Steve), Paula Letts, and Debbie Falcao (Paul), seven grandchildren, and brothers Edward (Ted) '54 and David, John was predeceased by his brother Bruce '58 and his sister Susan.

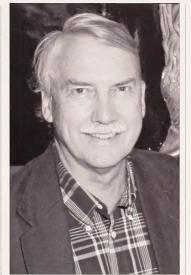
#### 1961

#### **RON BELDEN**

Ronald Vaughan Belden passed away on September 15, 2010 in Sherbrooke, OC. He attended St. Andrew's from 1959-1961 and captained 1st Basketball in his last year. Ron later graduated from Bishop's University in 1972. A retired math and computer



science high school teacher, he was active in curling and golf and in 2009 travelled to Scotland to play in the Strathcona Cup. Predeceased by brother Cassius (Cash) '58, he is survived by his wife Anne, children Kari Sparkes and Andy Sparkes (Shannon) and seven grandchildren.



#### 1967

#### **GEOFF HIGGS**

Geoffrey (Smitty) Higgs passed away peacefully on January 2, 2011 in Nassau, Bahamas. He was a proud and loyal Andrean, attending St. Andrew's from 1961-66. He later went on to graduate from the University of Miami and always had a profound love for his home — The Bahamas. He leaves behind his loving wife, Joyce, and son, Spencer '06. According to Spencer, Geoff's red SAC jacket still hangs in his closet

#### **BEN WHITNEY**

Ben B. Whitney passed away on October 1, 2010 at his home in Lakefield, ON, He taught at St. Andrew's from 1956-60 and later went on to become Head of the Junior department at Lakefield College School. He was predeceased by his wife Anne, who died in 2004, and is survived by his daughters Liz and Kris and son David.

#### MILLAR YOUNG

Millar Young passed away on January 31, 2011. A native of Scotland, he became a longtime friend of the St. Andrew's rugby program and was one of Ontario Rugby's greatest assets. Millar served on the Board of Directors of Rugby Canada where he worked tirelessly on many efforts, including the establishment of the Ontario Rugby Hall of Fame.





## Remembering Clare Kowaltschuk

Perhaps only a few times in our lifetime do we meet someone whose incredible spirit and passion for living is awe-inspiring. Clare Kowaltschuk was such a person. She taught geography, coached skiing and tennis, mentored and advised many students, and was an Assistant Housemaster with her husband Adam in Macdonald House. Clare passed away on January 8.

2011 at the age of 37, after a courageous four-and-a-half year battle with breast cancer.

Clare's memorial service was held on a beautiful, sunny day in January. The Aurora United Church was filled beyond capacity with family members, friends, former students and those who may have met Clare only once, but who were touched and inspired enough to come and pay their respects. In her eulogy, her sister Jane Kravchenko, a former teacher at St. Andrew's said, "While Clare loved many things, a great celebration ranked high on her list." The two-hour service was a great celebration indeed, complete with tributes from childhood friends, her sisters and brother, and her beloved husband Adam. with whom she shared a 20-year relationship.

While Clare waged a very public battle against breast cancer, she simultaneously poured her heart and soul into being the best mother she could be to her son Nathan, who turned five in May. She wanted to create as

many lasting memories as she could for him, including walking him to school for his first day of Kindergarten, a goal she achieved last September.

Clare loved to travel, learn, educate and inspire. She possessed an insatiable curiosity, the readiest of smiles and an

infectious laugh. She and Adam, also a geography teacher at St. Andrew's, travelled the world before Clare got sick. Even after her diagnosis, they continued to cross destinations off their "lists" as ambassadors and adventure seekers, this time with Nathan in tow. At home, they bought and renovated a home and set about living life to the fullest every day.

An enthusiastic raiser of both funds and awareness to discover a cure for breast cancer, Clare captained the Favourite Ladies team for the past four years in the Toronto Weekend to End Breast Cancer (having raised \$200,000 to date). She was featured in a documentary on breast cancer, "I Don't Have Time For This!", that aired on the W Network last fall. She was selected to carry the torch and light the Olympic flame for the town of Newmarket in December 2009. But most of all. Clare will always be remembered for being a patient listener and faithful friend.

Elegant in living and graceful in dying, Clare leaves an
inspiring legacy for all of us to
do what we believe in, to do it
now, and to make a difference to
others. Clare was predeceased
by her mother, Jean, and leaves
behind her husband Adam, son
Nathan, father Vic and his wife
Vicky, siblings Ann, Jane (Peter), Peter (Julie), Lisa (Terry),
and mother-in-law Mary and her
husband Ron, along with precious nephews and a niece.



"As a teacher of geography, she was passionate and had a fervent love of people, places and adventure. She didn't just talk about what was over there, she went over there and brought some of it back. Her classroom extended way beyond the walls of SAC."

Jane Kravchenko, Clare's sister

Thank you to all who have made a donation to The Clare Kowaltschuk Bursary. A full list of names will appear in the fall Annual Report. If you haven't made a donation and would like to, you may do so at www.sac.on.ca/archives/clare/

## **Event Highlights**



#### JUNE

- 1 Parents Guild Annual General Meeting
  Reception at the Headmaster's House 11:30 a.m.
  followed by Volunteer Appreciation luncheon
  and AGM in the Great Hall
- 15 Grade 8 Graduation Dinner
  For the Class of 2015 and their parents
  St. Andrew's College 6:00 p.m.
- Middle School Prize Day 1:00 p.m.
   Grade 12 Graduation Dinner

For the Class of 2011 and their parents St. Andrew's College – 6:00 p.m.

- 17 Upper School Prize Day 1:00 p.m.
- 17 Manhattan Open Golf Day
  Class of 1970, 1979 and friends
  of the late Charlie Edwards '70
  12:00 p.m. arrival, 1:00 p.m. tee off
  For an invitation to attend,
  please email oldboys@sac.on.ca
- 21 SAC Old Boys Association Golf Tournament
  Silver Lakes Golf & Country Club, Newmarket
  Early Bird Registration by June 7th
  11:00 a.m. Registration and Lunch
  12:30 p.m. Shotgun start
  To book your foursome, please email
  nicholas.weedon@sac.on.ca

#### **JULY AND AUGUST**

**SAC Summer Camps** 

www.sacsummercamp.com — 905.727.6544

#### **SEPTEMBER**

- 6 New Family Orientation Day
- 8 Classes begin
- 23 Homecoming Old Boys Reunion Dinner Celebrating the classes of 1966, 1971, 1976, 1981, 1986, 1991, 1996 and 2001
- 24 Homecoming 2011

  All Old Boys and friends of the School are welcome!

  Complimentary lunch, sports events, marketplace and all-day family activities..

#### **OCTOBER**

21 SAC Old Boys UK/EU Chapter Dinner
Contact Jason Campbell '88, Chapter President
+44 7894 787074 or email jason.campbell@freshfields.com

#### **DECEMBER**

Carol ServiceYorkminster Park Baptist Church1585 Yonge Street, Toronto7:00 p.m.

### NYC Old Boys' Dinner



The annual New York Old Boys Dinner was held at the New York Yacht Club in November 2010 and was attended by (I-r) Richard Rankin '76, Adrian Nusaputra '97, Armen Khajetoorian '03, James Morgan '91, Thijs Spoor '90, John Walden '71, William Long '93, Ali Manigat '01, Colin Murphy '07, Ryan Thom '07, Hugh Barton '89, and (kneeling): David Banwell '03, Nicholas Weedon '02





## Word of Mouth 2.0

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What does it take to market an independent school in this day and age? It takes a village, or in St. Andrew's case, a community of Andreans.

Every person associated with St. Andrew's plays a vital role in promoting and furthering the School's reputation. From the hardworking Old Boy who suggests to his neighbours that St. Andrew's might be a wonderful option for their son, to the parent of two sons who can't say enough about how her boys have undergone philosophical transformations in how they approach their education (they actually

love school and can't wait to be dropped off in the morning). From the grade 12 student who exhibits confidence and comportment while wearing his St. Andrew's uniform in the community, on the playing fields, or on the stage, to the member of the grounds crew or kitchen staff who is incredibly proud of where she works and the community she is part of.

And let's not forget the faculty and staff members who coach or volunteer in the community and who share the fact that they teach and work at St. Andrew's with people they meet. And the Headmaster and Administrative staff who

travel throughout Canada, North America and the world – spreading SAC goodwill wherever they go.

The Andrean Community is 7,800 people strong (4,000 Old Boys, 2,400 parents, 800 friends, and 580 students), and growing, and you are a vital part of this community. Each of you represents the local, national and global face of St. Andrew's, and are at the frontline of promoting the School to prospective families and students. You are our most knowledgeable spokespeople, capable of explaining the Andrean experience as no print, radio, television or Google ad ever could. Seven times out of 10, when a new family is asked

how they heard about St. Andrew's, the response is "word of mouth." For that, we thank each and every one of you.

While we are well aware of the power of reputation and of "word of mouth" advertising, it's the changing form of this powerful tool that is revolutionizing the world. Social media is the fastest growing phenomenon to hit the advertising sector and whether it's Facebook, YouTube, Twitter, Flickr, Google or Yahoo — each represents a new form of "word of mouth" advertising.

I can't help but be reminded of the shampoo commercial

from the early 1970s of "you tell two friends, and they'll tell two friends, and so on and so on." The viral power of social media/web 2.0 that has hit the scene in the past five years is clearly not a passing fad. As St. Andrew's explores new opportunities and media with which to tell our story — the choices are endless.

Our new website allows us an abundance of ways to integrate these tools into our local and global marketing. As we become acquainted with terms like Delicious, Ning, Digg and Redditt, we continue to learn where our students and Old Boys are congregating, chatting, voting and liking.

We can learn from them and expand our online marketing strategies significantly.

So if you have the chance to share your SAC story, please tweet, post, 'Digg this' or 'Like it' or even tell someone face-to-face about it. St. Andrew's will be the better for it! SKIM SILLCOX

P.S. In the Facebook world, it would be great if you identified yourself as a fan of St. Andrew's College.

P.P.S. Attn: Old Boys — If you're a Facebook fan, it would be wonderful if you identified St. Andrew's College, Aurora, ON, as your high school!

## CAN YOU SEND YOUR SON TO BOARDING SCHOOL AND STILL KEEP HIM CLOSE?

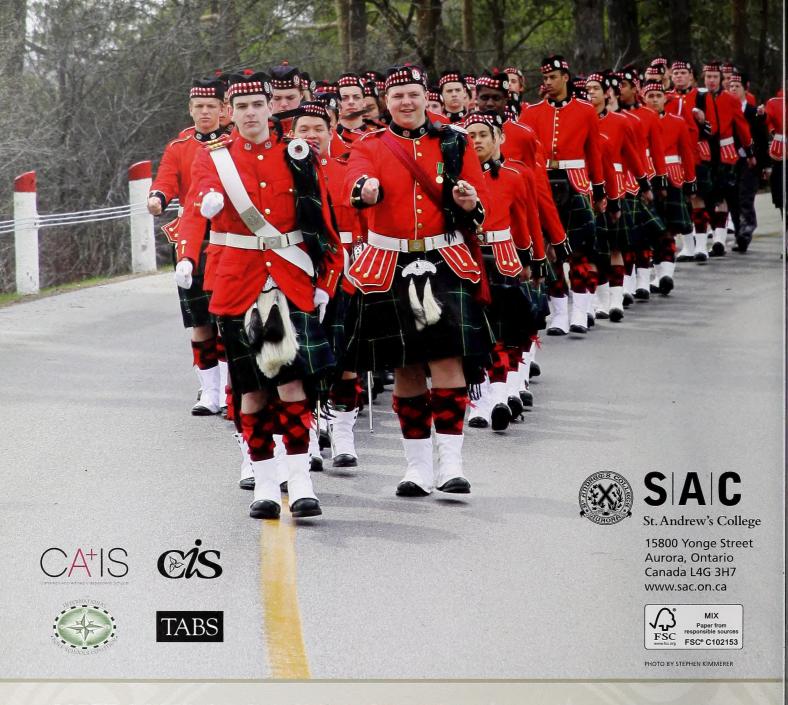
IT'S NOT LETTING GO. IT'S LETTING HIM ARRIVE.

IT'S NOT A LONG TRIP. IT'S THE JOURNEY OF A LIFETIME.

IT'S THE BEST OF BOTH YOUR WORLDS.

RIGHT HERE IN AURORA.





## **MEET SOME OF OUR 2011 GRADS**



"What I really value about the School is the people."

Pat Root
Drexel University,
Sociology



"I love competition and at SAC we compete."

William Egi Princeton University, Economics



not an ordinary place."

Parker Cumming
University of King's College,
Arts



"It's been a pure learning experience."

"It's definitely

Chris Adams-McGavin McMaster University, Engineering



"It truly is a privilege to go to this world-class school."

Eddie Meredith Boston College,



"I feel a real sense of belonging."

Weitong Xu UCLA, Business Economics



"There's a balance between academics and extracurriculars."

Seung Hoon Yoo Northwestern University, Economics & International Relations



"I've tried to explore all the possibilities."

Daniel McConnell Queen's University, Commerce